



SKANDEN
SWEDISH MADE
RECORD SYSTEMS
AT REASONABLE PRICES
HONGKONG TYPEWRITER EXCHANGE
8-A, Agutter Street, Tel. 21428

CORRECT on all occasions
VULCAIN
SWISS MADE

Bandits Ambush A Bus

Manila, Mar. 5.
Press reports said at least two persons were killed and seven wounded on Sunday afternoon when an estimated 30 bandits ambushed a fully-loaded passenger bus near Naic, a town in Cavite province some 35 miles south of here.

The reports said the bandits later robbed the Manila-bound passengers, including those on the bus, of a "considerable" amount of cash, jewelry and other valuables before withdrawing to a nearby forest.

Those reported killed in the daylight attack were a member of the Constabulary who returned the bandits' fire and a 26-year-old woman medical student. The wounded included four aged persons and a five-year-old child. Reports said government troops rushed to the scene of the ambush and gave chase but thus far had not reported contact.

The ambush site was the scene of two earlier attacks last year in which a total of five persons were killed and 13 wounded.—United Press.

Clementis' Wife In Custody

Prague, Mar. 4.
The wife of Dr. Vlado Clementis, a usually well-informed source said today, has been taken into custody.

A tall, thin blonde, Mrs. Lida Clementisova had been living in an apartment here since her husband, former Communist Foreign Minister of Czechoslovakia, vanished on January 27.

The Communist Party disclosed recently that Dr. Clementis was under arrest, charged with spying for the French.

The informant said police were seen to call at the apartment a week ago last night and leave with Mrs. Clementis. The Party has accused Dr. Clementis also of plotting to switch—Czechoslovakia—from Soviet to Western capitalist political alignment.

No charges of any kind have been published against his wife. But she presumably might be useful in any investigation leading up to a trial of her husband and others accused with him.—Associated Press.

PRINCESS ELIZABETH IN BED WITH COLD

London, Mar. 4.
King George and Princess Elizabeth, heir to the throne, are both bedridden with feverish colds. The King has been ill since the middle of the week.

The announcement of Princess Elizabeth's illness was made from Clarence House, her London home near Buckingham Palace. It said, "The Princess is suffering from a cold and will be confined to her room for several days."

Her engagements for Monday have been cancelled.

N. ZEALAND STRIKE

British Seamen's Attitude

Wellington, Mar. 4.
British seamen from strike-bound ships here decided today that they would take their ships to sea but would not load them while the fortnight-old national dock strike continues.

The men said that they would carry out their routine duties but do nothing normally done by watersiders who are striking for a pay increase of two shillings and nine pence a day.

The New Zealand Labour Minister, Mr. William Sullivan, said that things were "progressing favourably" and added that the Government had not yet decided to call for free labour to break the strike.

All New Zealand ports have been paralysed.

Wellington's industrial centre of Hutt Valley was threatened today with no gas while the city itself had only supplies for another day. Gas-workers have continued to refuse to use coal unloading by Servicemen.

Bakers decided to use flour unloaded by Servicemen and moderate unions were believed to be succeeding in their efforts to prevent the dockers getting support in other trades.—Reuter.

Morocco Riots Denied

Paris, Mar. 4.
French News Agency dispatches from Rabat, Morocco, today denied that disorders were sweeping the country as reported by Cairo newspapers.

"Absolute calm" reigns throughout the country," the dispatches declared.

One report said that nine members of the anti-French Nationalist Party, Istiglal, had been arrested at Oujda following an investigation of recent secret meetings. No other incidents were reported.—Associated Press.

S. Koreans' Drive

22 MILES FROM THE 38TH

Reds Building-Up Near Seoul

With The Eighth Army, Mar. 5.
South Korean patrols drove to within 22 miles of the 38th Parallel over the week-end, entering the village of Soksari, six miles north-east of Changpyong.

The South Koreans—on the eastern flank of the United Nations central front offensive—met no resistance but when they withdrew and a big body of South Korean cavalry moved on Soksari, a Chinese Communist regiment resisted strongly.

General MacArthur said today that bitter fighting continued southeast of Hoengsong where the North Koreans resisted advancing American and ROK forces.

American Marines, advancing in the frozen hills north-east of the battered road junction town, met only moderate resistance and out limited gains.

Elsewhere along the Korean front, activity slackened as United Nations forces consolidated positions gained during the past few days while continuing aggressive patrolling.

The Seoul sector was quiet, but the British light cruiser Belfast bombarded and destroyed Communist troops, barracks and gun positions in the coastal area north-west of the besieged capital.

Lieutenant-General Ridgway's multi-national forces continued probing north in search of the main Chinese Communist defence lines this morning as the Allied "Operation Killer" neared the end of its second week.

General MacArthur's warplanes took off early today but met bad weather on the coast. They are expected to concentrate their efforts on close support of the central front area where clear weather was predicted.—Reuter.

With US Third Division on the Western Front, Mar. 5.
Third Division intelligence officers reported today that Communist Army is apparently reinforcing its troops in the Seoul area.

Reports said that "numerous" trucks and other vehicles have been observed in recent days moving south to the Han River from the Manchurian border.

Meanwhile, one American patrol pushed its way into the outskirts of Seoul last night before falling back under small arms and automatic weapons fire.

Communist forces stepped up their nightly mortar and artillery barrages, tossing 75 high explosive shells into the Third Division area alone and also pounding South Korean and American 25th Division positions along the western front.

Air Force and Navy fighters flew 30 sorties against Communist gun and troop positions on the Third Division front on Sunday.—United Press.

UN WARPLANES OUT

Tokyo, Mar. 5.
Allied warplanes flashed over Communist targets in Korea early today in relentlessly continuing attacks at troop concentrations and communications facilities after ground and carrier-based planes flew more than 1,000 sorties on Sunday for the second consecutive day.

Low snow showers greeted flyers over the West coast this morning, but generally good weather was predicted for other areas.

Ground-based planes flew more than 900 sorties on Sunday, including "massive saturation attack on a 300-building enemy cantonment area" near Songjin on the northeast coast by B-29s, the Far East Air Force Headquarters announced.

The Superforts blasted the barracks with hundreds of 500-pound bombs, leaving fires and secondary explosions as they roared away.

Four B-29s dropped approximately 24 tons of bombs last night on the northwestern communications centres of Kumun and Chongju. No enemy air opposition was encountered on Sunday, the Air Force said.—United Press.

WHAT MARINES FOUND

Hoengsong, Korea, Mar. 4.
US Marines advancing up "death valley" on Sunday found what was left of a United Nations task force ambushed and cut to pieces by the Chinese Reds during the ROK offensive in mid-February.

Exchange Of Prisoners



In the arms of a French soldier, a rebel Vietnamese prisoner of war is carried to a plane at Hanoi, to be flown into Vietnamese territory. He was one of several Vietnamese rebels released in an exchange of 48 wounded. The scheme was worked out between the French and Vietnamese Red Cross organisations.—AP Picture.

Big Three Agree On Strategy For Today's Meeting

Of Deputy Foreign Ministers

Paris, Mar. 4.
Western delegations reached agreement today on common strategy for Monday's opening session of the Big Four Deputy Foreign Ministers while, in Moscow, the Soviet declared it would insist upon Communist China, Russia, Britain and the United States having a joint hand in making a peace treaty for Japan.

There also were stronger indications that the Russians might propose that the Big Four meeting be widened to include Communist China.

The idea of including China was advanced by the pro-Communist World Peace Council in Berlin several weeks ago. The Soviet press endorsed it today, the official Soviet Army newspaper Tasgliche Rundschau in Berlin devoted considerable editorial space to the proposal as a means of achieving world peace, including a Korean settlement.

The strongly worded Izvestia editorial reiterated the Russian position that the treaty should be the subject, first of all, of talks among the four powers and when a treaty is worked out, it should be presented for the approval of other interested countries. American occupation forces must be withdrawn completely from Japan, Izvestia said.

In Paris, spokesmen for the US Embassy and the French Foreign Ministry said the Western delegations, in two meetings on Sunday, reached unanimous agreement on what subjects, they believe, the Foreign Ministers should tackle.

Explosion At Power Station

Lisbon, Mar. 4.
People ran in panic from their houses when a series of explosions sent large lumps of machinery hurtling into the air from a power station at Serra de Estrela. The population thought an earthquake had occurred.

One house was destroyed by falling debris and the entire transformer—which was being repaired when the explosions took place—was gutted.—Associated Press.

Germans Slein In Dance Hall

Kassel, American Zone of Germany, Mar. 4.
Two Germans were killed and four seriously injured when a crowded dance hall at Vickers-Rode near here last night.

The shooting was alleged to have occurred after the man had been thrown out for drunkenness.—Reuter.

SEEKING AN AGENDA

The purpose of the meetings starting on Monday is to try to work out an agenda for a Big Four Foreign Ministers meeting aimed at settling the issues which have brought the Russian and the Western world to its present critical state.

Represented at Monday's meeting will be the United States, Britain, France and Russia. The first three participated in today's preliminary talks. The Russians consulted only among themselves.

The US Embassy spokesman gave no details on what the Western representatives reached agreement, but the Western powers already are on record as wanting the Foreign Ministers to discuss the armament situation, not only as applying to Germany but to the East-West overall picture, specific German problems and a peace treaty with Austria.

There is no doubt that Russia considered the rearmament of Germany most important. That was the Soviet view when Russia proposed a Big Four meeting four months ago. The Western powers want to go into all subjects imperiling the peace.

New Appointment

London, Mar. 4.
The War Office announced today that the King had appointed Major-General E. A. D. Miller as Military Secretary to the Secretary of State for War.

Major-General Miller, who will hold the rank of Lieutenant-General, has been Chief of Staff, Middle East, and Forces.—Reuter.

Taxpayers "Gouged" By Tin-Mine Speculators

Washington, Mar. 4.
The United States Senate Preparedness—Sub-Committee called upon the Government today to stop buying tin for its strategic stockpile until Britain and other non-Communist countries agreed to end "gouging" of American tax-payers by tin mine owners and speculators.

The Senate group, composed of three Republicans and four Democrats, headed by Mr. Lyndon Johnson (Democrat, Senator, Texas), said that the price of tin had soared more than 150 per cent, during the Korean war.

It said that the cost of reaching the national stockpile goal at the present price would be hundreds of millions of dollars more than at pre-Korean prices and added, "The American taxpayer is weary of being gouged for the privilege of obtaining from some of its allies the raw materials with which he is expected to supply the food and armament needs of the non-Communist nations in the event of another all-out war."

"This Committee intends to do whatever it can to put an end to that gouging."

Control over the major part of the world's tin supply—In Malaysia, Indonesia, Bolivia, the Belgian Congo and Nigeria—was in the hands of a few British, Dutch, Belgian and Bolivian corporations with interlocking connections across boundaries.

British interests controlled production in Malaysia, which normally turned out more than a third of the world's supply—in Nigeria and some in Bolivia.

The Sub-Committee contended that the tin producers appeared more concerned about the prospect of future unsaleable tin surpluses than with the "spectre of Communist aggression."

In 1950 in the face of our increased stockpile purchases they still turned out less than 70 per cent as much tin as they had mined in 1941," the report said.

"As a result, the price we have had to pay not only for the stockpile but for defence production and civilian needs has soared to record heights—more than two and a half times what it was before Korea."

"And speculators throughout the world are pushing the price to even still higher levels in reliance upon continuing high United States stockpile demands and continued inadequate production."

The group urged the State Department to call a conference of the principal tin producing and consuming nations to seek an agreement on steps to increase production, allocate the supply among non-Communist countries and reduce the price.

Proposing that the tin markets in Singapore, London and New York be closed, the Senate Sub-Committee said that stable prices should be negotiated among governments at reasonable levels based upon fair profits to the producers rather than upon "what the necessities of our defence will bear"—Reuter.

COMMENT OF THE DAY

Heavy Expenditure Burden

FORECAST expenditure for 1951-52 exceeds estimates for the current year by nearly \$3 billion dollars, which means that the Colony has to earn for itself at least \$233,456,000—an impressive but not surprising figure. Practically every administrative department calls for some sort of increase, though only one requires a substantial amount. The Marine Department is asking for five million dollars more this year. Public Works non-recurrent needs an extra \$5 million; Miscellaneous Services will absorb an additional \$11½ million; and Subventions (official subsidies, grants and donations) are up another two and a half million dollars. None of these increases denotes extravagance: they are caused partly by increased operating costs and partly to help pay for new undertakings. Nevertheless total estimated expenditure sets a new record for the Colony, posing once again the question: what is the maximum Hongkong can afford to pay for its public services and administration? Clearly a limit exists, and the latest budget may have found it. The public will certainly wait with some anxiety for the Financial Secretary's proposals for raising the required revenue. Warning has already been given that because of the American embargo, with its effect on the trade and economy of the Colony, revenue can be expected to fall off; that the 1950 boom is not likely to be repeated. Therefore, if this important contribution to general revenue is seriously affected, Government may have to probe other more direct forms of money-raising to make good the difference. Furthermore, it has to be accepted that the original estimates of expenditure do not necessarily represent the whole spending demands which have to be made during the year. Supplementary

expenditure for 1950-51 has been fairly substantial and it may have to be repeated next year. The Colony's capacity to meet the final budget must assuredly be severely tested and at the end of the year there may not be very much left to put into the "litty". Prudent spending is called for. We cannot avoid heavy commitments on defence and security. They are essential needs and must be paid for. Neither can public services and the charitable institutions be neglected. They are integral features of the Colony's social structure and in the interests of general welfare must be preserved and maintained. Government reveals its appreciation of this by making larger provisions to meet expanding operations and higher costs. The 1951-52 expenditure estimates, therefore, while a staggering burden, have to be accepted as more or less the minimum if essential public services are to remain unimpaired. From Sir Geoffrey Follett's this Wednesday the public will learn how Government expects to raise sufficient revenue to meet all expenditure requirements. It will be hoped that the Financial Secretary will not find it necessary to make further demands in the way of direct taxation, and that, despite his traditional conservative budgeting, he will be able to provide for a surplus. He will, at least, have this satisfaction: he can point to an accumulated revenue balance which has attained the objective he laid down 12 months ago—a total that is equal to the complete revenue for one year. However heavy the financial burdens which Hongkong may have to bear in the coming financial year, the Colony can boast it is completely solvent—an enviable and always satisfactory condition.

Your car for Home Leave

You can have a new Humber, Hillman or Sunbeam-Talbot awaiting your arrival in England. Gilman can make all the necessary arrangements for you.

GILMAN'S

Moscow Losing A Battle

Washington, Mar. 4. Mr. Homer Byington, Western European Chief of the U.S. Department, declared today that membership of the Communist Party had dropped 80 percent or more in every country of Western Europe since the war and Moscow was losing its battle to take over by "boring from within."

The figures given by Mr. Byington in a nationwide broadcast showed that the largest percentage drops in Communist Party membership since 1945 were in Luxembourg (85 percent), Belgium and Norway (both to 65 percent) and Denmark (63 percent). France had the smallest drop (50 percent). Britain and Western Germany each showed a reduction of one-third in the party strength. Italy's Communist Party had the largest numerical loss—700,000 from a 1945 Party membership of 2,200,000.

Mr. Byington said that his encouraging report was a tribute to the peoples of Western Europe.

Although directly in the path of Communism, he said, they were growing stronger and better able to resist the Communist danger.

"It is also a tribute to the American people who, through the Marshall Plan, and the North Atlantic treaty, have had the courage and the foresight to undertake the responsibility of leadership in preserving a free world," he added.

Mr. Byington gave these figures on Communist membership in Western Europe:

Country	1945	1950	1955	1960
Austria	150,000	100,000	34	34
Belgium	100,000	25,000	34	34
Britain	60,000	40,000	34	34
Denmark	60,000	22,500	63	63
France	150,000	60,000	34	34
Italy	2,200,000	1,500,000	31	31
Luxembourg	500	84	84	84
Netherlands	30,000	33,000	34	34
Norway	40,000	14,000	63	63
Sweden	80,000	33,000	45	45
West Germany	30,000	20,000	34	34

—Reuter.

Stresses In W. Germany

Bonn, Mar. 4. The West German Vice-Chancellor, M. Franz Bluecher, said today that an intensified export drive, drastic cuts in non-essential imports and compulsory savings were needed to restore West Germany's economy.

He hoped that the recent suspension of import licences in Western Germany would be replaced shortly by a revised list of permitted imports. This would be discussed in advance with the Organisation for European Economic Co-operation.

He denied that Germans were unwilling to save because they distrusted the West German currency or feared war.

"They have got into the habit of spending as they have had to do without goods for so many years," he said. "Now they must get out of it."—Reuter.

Mobile Radio Captured

Hanover, Mar. 4. The West German police have seized a secret transmitting station mounted on a lorry in the wooded area between Alfeld and Lamspringe, south of Hanover, it was disclosed today.

The authorities believe this was the station long sought by the British as the source of anti-Soviet propaganda and news broadcasts. Two occupants of the lorry, whose names were not released, claimed to be Yugoslavs.—Reuter.

Belgrade's Rosy View "LESS ISOLATED"

Belgrade, Mar. 4. M. Moshe Pijade, one of the Vice-Presidents of the Yugoslav Presidium and a prominent Politburo member, said today that though Yugoslavia had joined no pacts she is less isolated today than she was ever before.

"Not only the Governments of the Western countries have expressed their readiness to help us in case of aggression, but also the people of these countries are ready to help us," he added.

The Soviet Government had wanted to isolate Yugoslavia, but instead they stood today unmasked before the whole world as the real aggressors.

M. Pijade was addressing a crowd of nearly 200,000 in Belgrade's principal square, the Square of the Republic, in a pre-election speech for the National Assembly of Serbia, one of the six constituent republics of Yugoslavia.

Recalling that in their recent note to Britain, the Soviet Government had spoken of Yugoslavia as having aggressive designs against Hungary, M. Pijade asked:

"Does this mean that Hungary will get the honour of playing some special role in the aggression? But if they give them this honour they should also prescribe to them what will follow from our side."

Addressing the crowd earlier, Colonel-General Koča Pervich, Marshal Tito's Chief of Staff, said he thought that Yugoslavia was now in a stronger position than before since the Russian attempt to isolate her had finally failed.—Reuter.

Rebel Sampan Destroyed

Saigon, Mar. 4. French troops and river patrol units destroyed 44 Communist sampans in a sweep of the southern Red River delta, French military headquarters announced today.

A communiqué said 15 Vietnamese soldiers were killed in the operation and another 23 Communists killed and 23 captured in skirmishes in Central Indo-China.—United Press.

INDIAN PRIME MINISTER REAFFIRMS POLICY OF NEUTRALITY

Bombay, Mar. 4. The Indian Prime Minister, Mr. Jawaharlal Nehru, today reaffirmed his faith in India's foreign policy of neutrality and perseverance in the cause of peace and said that India was not interested in leading "a third world force."

"I don't understand what people mean by a third force in this divided and troubled world," he said in what was obviously a reply to the Indian Socialist Party's line of foreign policy.

"Do they mean that we should stand up and challenge the rest of the world?"

Mr. Nehru, who was making his third public speech of the day during a flying visit to Bombay, was sharply critical of four elements in the country—Communists, communalists, destructive oppositionists and the licentious press.

Addressing a cheering crowd of nearly 100,000 at Bombay's Seaface, Mr. Nehru said that he would not have anything to do with Indian Communists.

"Communists follow a policy of destruction amounting to a virtual declaration of war on the Government. I cannot negotiate or come to agreement with them," he stated.

Mr. Nehru roundly condemned the activities of communalists whom he described as "people who want to achieve something by rioting and instigation."

SOCIALIST CRITICS

Mr. Nehru replied to opposition—mainly Socialist—criticisms stating that his Government was engaged in nation-building projects which will benefit coming generations though in that process it had to call for the utmost effort and sacrifice on the part of the people of the present.

He charged certain sections of the press with misusing the grant of civil liberties—a cause which he himself sponsored years ago—and called on responsible sections of the Indian press to curb this tendency.

"I am really worried that people—our opponents, newspapers, even our comrades in the Party (Indian National Congress) think so little and criticise so much," Mr. Nehru complained.

Mr. Nehru, who this morning seemed slightly perturbed over the problems confronting the Indian Government, was calm and deliberate during his 90-minute speech before a mammoth crowd this evening.

BUILDING FOR FUTURE

He said, "I want the nation, both pro and anti Government elements, to understand the issues at stake both at home and abroad for we have to come to you at the forthcoming elections for a fresh mandate."

Reviewing the international situation, Mr. Nehru said that almost every country in the world was engaged in speedy rearmament.

Britain and the United States were rearming at a tremendous pace but India was reducing her armed strength.

He added, "We cannot be powerful only by having a bigger army. We must have productive capacity to back our armed strength. Besides, India needs enormous funds to be expended in building for the future."—Reuter.

LOOSE TALK OF WAR

Bombay, Mar. 4. The Indian Prime Minister, Pandit Jawaharlal Nehru, today attacked the "negative and destructive criticism" of his Government's policies and of his efforts to maintain peace.

Speaking at the inauguration of a milk colony (State-aided cooperative dairy) near Bombay City, Mr. Nehru said: "I do not care tuppence what happens to me as Prime Minister. This

does not mean that I shall retire to the Himalayas. I shall continue to work, according to my light, to achieve the objective I have in mind.

"I shall throw my entire strength, physical and mental, into it."

He added that he might perhaps be able to work better if freed from the restrictions of "office protocol" but "this does not mean I am running away from my responsibility."

Deprecating loose talk of war, Mr. Nehru said: "I am amazed that people should be talking in terms of war and criticising me for my effort at peace-making."

"Do they realise that the absence of peace means war of the world and the future, for which all of us have been working?"

"I do not know. If we shall achieve that future."

Of domestic problems, Mr. Nehru said that there were those who claimed to be Socialists and wanted the Government to socialise everything in the country. They believed that could be achieved by legislation.

"I am as much a Socialist as anybody else, but I am not prepared to follow those who merely talk. What is wanted is action—constructive action," he added.—Reuter.

America Plans More Help For SE Asia

Colombo, Mar. 4. The United States plans more help for countries in South Asia, said Mr. George McGhee, American Assistant Secretary of State, here today.

He was telling reporters about the conference which ended at Ceylon's hill station Nuwara Eliya yesterday of American diplomats in the Middle and Far East.

But until the United States Congress had taken action on the proposed aid he could not give any more details, he added.

Mr. McGhee said that the diplomats, who came from Colombo, Kabul, Karachi, Katmandu, New Delhi, Bangkok, Djakarta, London, Manila, Rangoon, Teheran and Saigon, were pleased that India and Pakistan had made a trade agreement and settled the question of the exchange value of the Pakistani rupee and they hoped that Afghanistan and Pakistan would soon settle their differences.

The United States supported the Commonwealth Colombo Plan to help Asian countries and any United States help would be in addition to it.

If Congress approved the gift of 2,000,000 tons of wheat for which grain-hungry India had asked, it would constitute a significant illustration of American contribution to the fulfilment of the plan.

"Counterpart funds derived from the sale of any grain that might be provided would be available for use in the project for Indian economic development," Mr. McGhee said.

PARAMOUNT PROBLEM

The conference reviewed United Nations action in Korea and felt that Communism was the paramount problem in Asia. The delegates noted that South Asian countries were becoming increasingly conscious

LUNA PARK CINEMA

The Nicest Little Theatre in town

TO-DAY
At 2.30, 5.30, 7.30 & 9.30 P.M.

"ROMANCE OF THE WEST CHAMBER"

西廂記
A Chinese Super Production

• NEXT CHANGE •
"ROGER TOUNY, GANGSTER!"

A 20th Century-Fox Picture

Naval Parley In London

London, Mar. 4. Admiral Forrest Sherman, U.S. Chief of Naval Operations, arrived from Paris today for high-level talks with British and American officials on global defence strategy.

Adm. Sherman landed at London airport four hours after Adm. Robert Carney, U.S. Naval Commander in the Eastern Atlantic and Mediterranean, flew in—also from Paris.

The two Naval chiefs came amid persistent reports that Adm. Carney soon would be named Supreme Commander in the Mediterranean.

Adm. Sherman, asked by reporters whether he had come to discuss the appointment of Adm. Carney as the overall commander in the Mediterranean, said, "I would not say now."

Adm. Sherman said he might make a statement before returning to Paris on Tuesday or Wednesday.

A United States naval spokesman at London Headquarters said the talks were not arranged to discuss the Mediterranean appointment, British and American officials would discuss "joint defence measures."—United Press.

Schuman Plan Accord Nearer

New York, Mar. 4. Mr. Robert Patterson, former Secretary of War, said today that his recent trip to Germany was instrumental in breaking the deadlock over the Ruhr "captive" coal mines, removing the last main stumbling block to German approval of the Schuman Plan.

He went to Germany as a lawyer representing an association of shareholders in German steel and coal companies and not opposed to the decartellisation plan for German industry. On his recommendation, German clients agreed to accept the proposal by the United States High Commissioner, Mr. John McCloy, that Ruhr steel operators keep only 75 percent of coal assets under the Schuman Plan.

The former War Secretary said two other American lawyers conferred with Mr. McCloy on the subject and thoroughly discussed the importance of an agreement promoting adoption of the Schuman Plan to pool Western Europe's coal and steel resources.

"As a result of the conference, I advised clients that the proposal should be accepted. They agreed. They consented that my advice to them be made public."

From newspaper stories since his return, he added, he assumed that agreement on the coal matter "has now been arrived at or is imminent." He was making a statement because "I cannot allow misunderstanding regarding my recent trip to Germany to continue without a word from me."—United Press.

Polyglot Ship

Sydney, Mar. 4. The 10,000-ton freighter Sakura, recently arrived on her maiden voyage, is considered the most polyglot ship ever to put in here. Registered in Liberia, the Sakura has Norwegian officers, a Japanese chief engineer, and a British Guiana crew.

The ship was designed by an American firm and built in Japan with engines of German design.—United Press.

STAR

Phone 56335

17, Hankow Rd. Kowloon

TO-DAY ONLY
AT 2.30, 5.15, 7.20 & 9.30 P.M.

"DANNY KAY'S FUNNIEST...in every scene out of his world!"



TO-MORROW

"THE MAN WHO CAME TO DINNER"

HMS Ceylon In Singapore

Singapore, Mar. 4. The British cruiser Ceylon returned to the Singapore naval base today after five months' service in Korean waters.—Reuter.

SHOWING TO-DAY
AT 2.30, 5.15, 7.20 & 9.30 P.M.



WARNER BROS. PRESENTS
"Kiss Tomorrow Goodbye"
With James Cagney-Barbara Payton

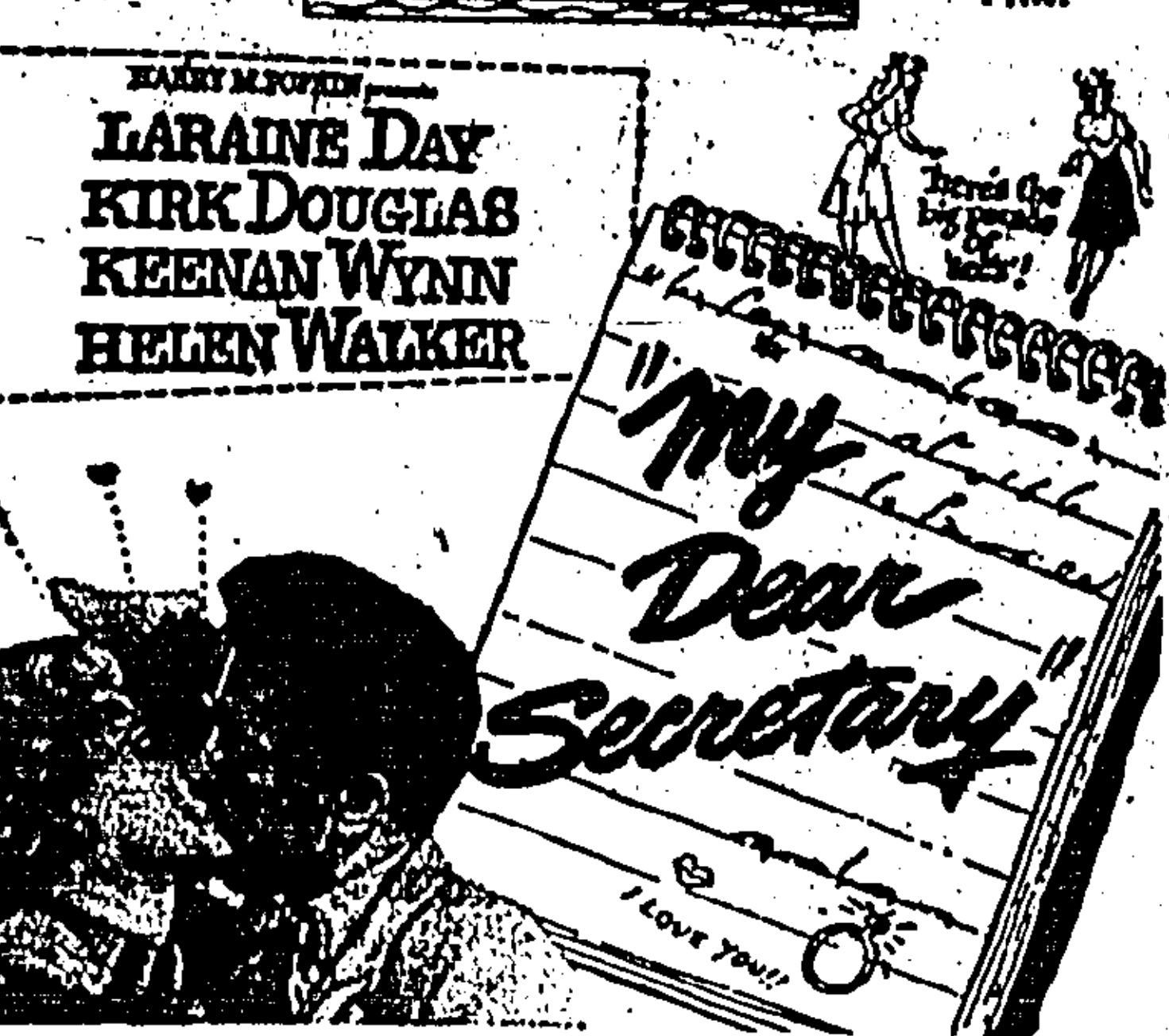
SHOWING TO-DAY
AT 2.30, 5.30, 7.30 & 9.30 P.M.

AN EXCITING THRILLING U.S.S.R. PICTURE!

"BOGDAN HMELENTZKY"

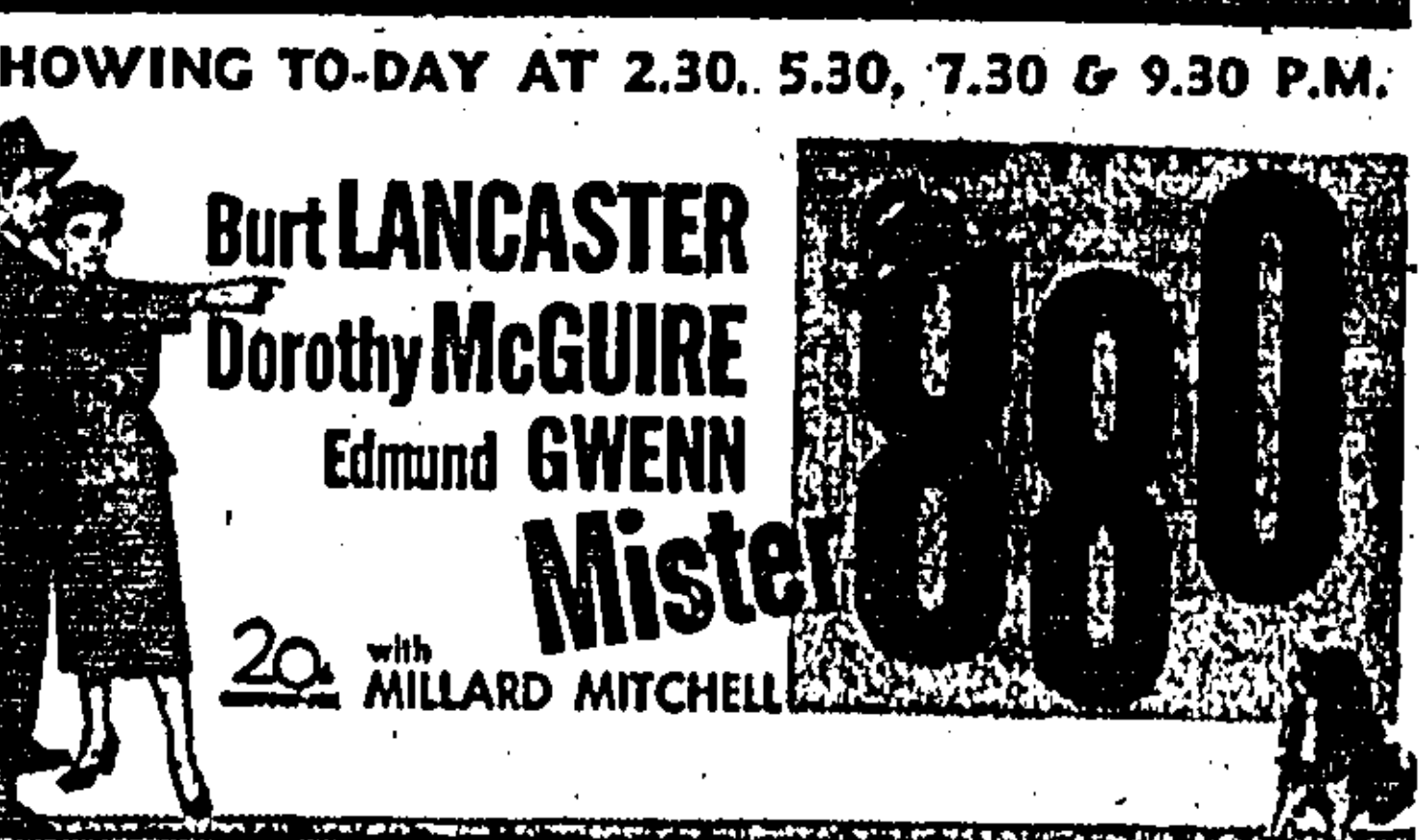
U.S.S.R. DIALOGUE • CHINESE SUB-TITLE
NEXT CHANGE "A COUNTRY TEACHER"
DIALOGUE IN MANDARIN • U.S.S.R. PICTURE

SHOWING TO-DAY
AT 2.30, 5.15, 7.20 & 9.30 P.M.



ALSO LATEST UNIVERSAL-INTERNATIONAL NEWSREEL

ROXY BROADWAY
SHOWING TO-DAY AT 2.30, 5.30, 7.30 & 9.30 P.M.



ROXY ADDED: Latest 20th Century-Fox Movietone News

NEXT CHANGE

DARRYL F. ZANUCK PRESENTS
"FOREVER AMBER"
COLOR BY TECHNICOLOR
Starring Linda DARNELL • Cornel WILDE
A 20TH CENTURY-FOX PICTURE



HISTORY'S FINEST HOUR IN HEROISM!!
GALA PREMIERE
STARTS AT THE

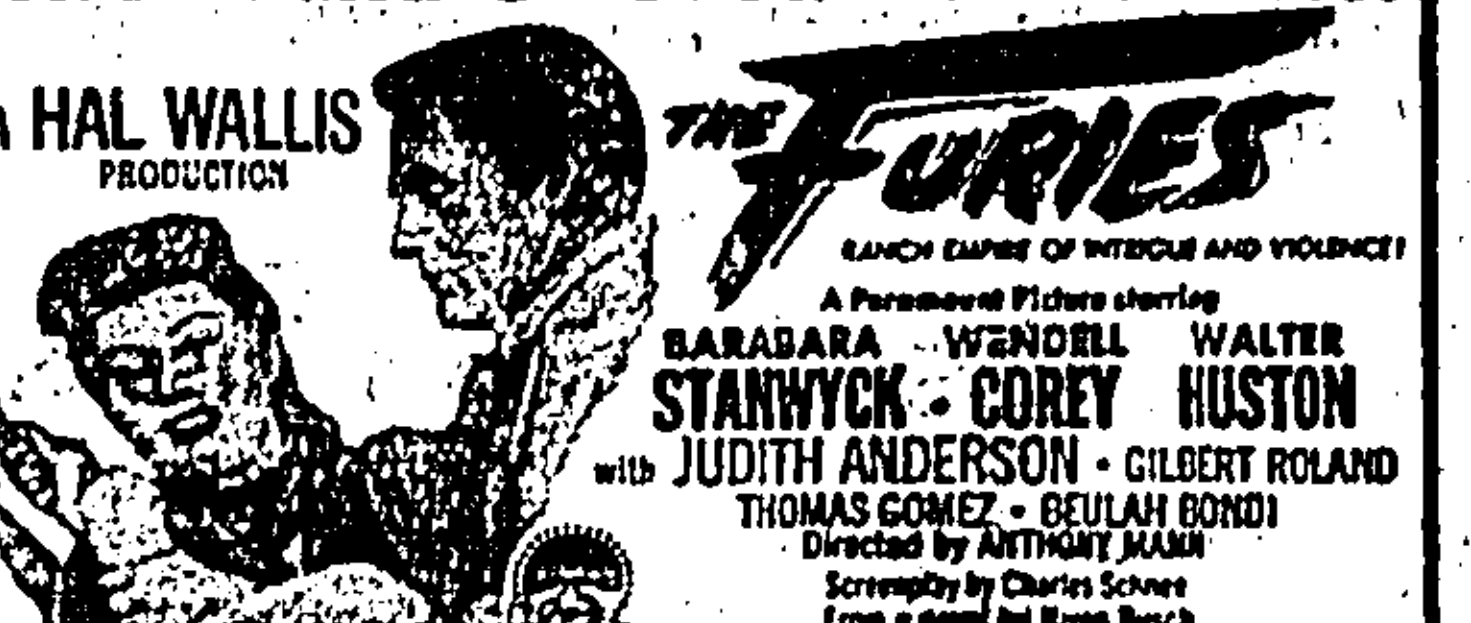
ROXY BROADWAY

THURSDAY, 8TH MARCH AT 9.30 P.M. FRIDAY, 9TH MARCH



DAILY AT 2.30, 5.30, 7.30 & 9.30 P.M.
FINAL SHOWING TO-DAY

The Brand of Greatness Is On...



TO-MORROW AT THE LEE THEATRE



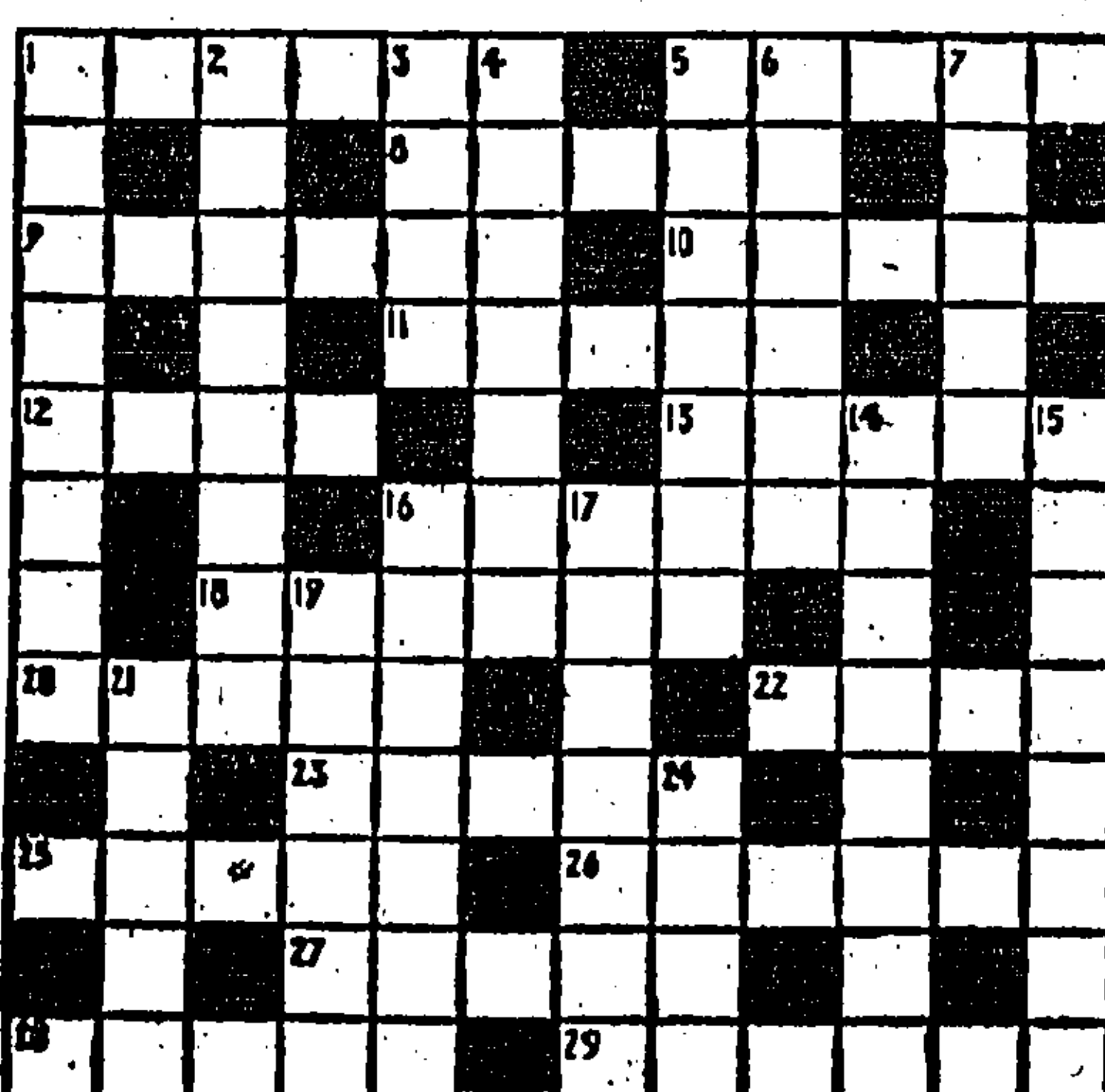
SHOWING TO-DAY
AT 2.30, 5.20, 7.20 & 9.30 P.M.

MAJESTIC



ALSO, LATEST WARNER-PATHE-NEWS

A British Crossword Puzzle



- | ACROSS | DOWN |
|---------------------|--------------------------|
| 1 Faith | 1 Shells |
| 5 Outcome | 2 Lubber |
| 8 Coin | 3 News |
| 9 Memorandum | 4 Honourable citizen |
| 10 Footy | 5 Nail |
| 11 Carrying chair | 6 Theatrical |
| 12 Rocas | 7 Spill |
| 13 Leans over | 14 Answer |
| 16 Material | 15 More unusual |
| 18 Made reparations | 16 Shrank |
| 20 Tendon | 17 Young animal |
| 22 Wild animal | 19 Conditions of holding |
| 23 Star-post | 21 Footstall |
| 25 Object | 24 Monetary unit |
| 26 County division | |
| 27 Allude | |
| 28 Mount | |
| 29 Lumber worker | |

SATURDAY'S CROSSWORD.—Across, 1 Robuff, 5 Ingot, 8 Leaf, 9 Selen, 11 Vonal, 12 Tremble, 14 Save, 16 Spate, 18 Inlet, 19 Dell, 20 Impact, 24 Oiler, 25 Pileus, 26 Odds, 27 Stern, 28 Hogler. Down: 1 Risk, 2 Bull's Eye, 4 Froblo, 5 Inverse, 6 General, 7 Talled, 10 Troat, 13 Mirages, 15 Venison, 17 Place, 18 Dagger, 21 Also, 22 Tark, 23 Gene.

Lonely Heart Slayers

New York, Mar. 4. Sing Sing's electric chair was being prepared today for the execution on Thursday of Martha Beck and Raymond Fernandez, New York's "lonely hearts slayers."

The only hope for the couple, who made a business preying on love-starved widows, is the possibility of an 11th-hour reprieve by the Governor of New York, Mr. Tom Dewey.

Fernandez, a 36-year-old Hawaiian-born Spaniard, and his sweetheart, Martha, aged 31, were convicted of murdering a New York widow. They also confessed to killing another widow and her infant daughter. Mrs. Beck will be the eighth woman to die in Sing Sing's electric chair.—Reuter.

Penang Shooting

Penang, Mar. 4. A Chinese grocery dealer was shot dead here tonight by a masked gunman. The dealer died shortly after five days.

This is the Gin



Gordon's
Stands Supreme

Sole Agents
DODWELL & CO., LTD.

Quality Incomparable



Try CONSULATE—they're cooler

DURING a hot tiring afternoon, only a Consulate will give you a smoke that's as fresh and delightful as the first puff in the morning. The extra-absorbent filter tip perfected by Consulate removes all harsh elements, and gives you morning-fresh smoking all day. Try a Consulate when you're hot and bothered—and see how cool and comfortable it is.

Micro-photograph shows Consulate tip's fine cotton filter successfully channels and eliminates extra elements.

No wet, bitter butt—the Consulate tip's fine cotton filter successfully channels and eliminates extra elements.

CONSULATE

—the cooler cigarette

SOLE DISTRIBUTORS: GILMAN & COMPANY LIMITED

HONGKONG SOCIETY FOR THE PROTECTION OF CHILDREN

(WOMEN'S AUXILIARY)

VICTORIA REVELS

(Under the distinguished patronage of H.E. The Governor, Sir Alexander Grantham, KCMG, and Lady Grantham)

AT THE
SEAMEN'S MISSION THEATRE

March 8th & 9th at 9 p.m.

Tickets from Moutries
\$10, \$7 & \$4



You MUST see this gay and colourful show in aid of the Hong Kong Society for the Protection of Children, (Women's Auxiliary).

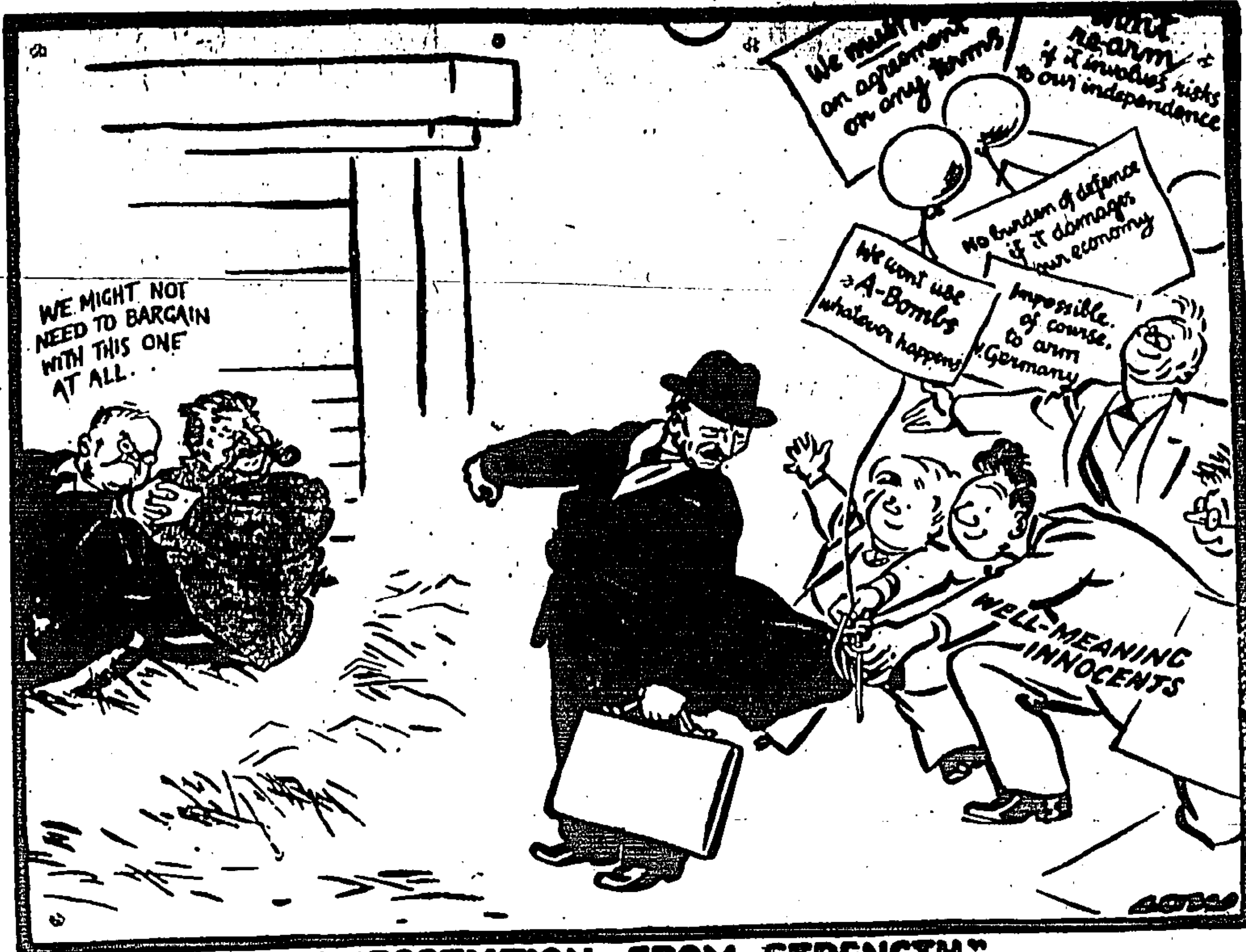
Browns! Thickens! Seasons!

RICH TASTY GRAVY IN ONE EASY PROCESS

Bisto brown and thickens gravy like magic. It also makes all stews, soups, meat and fish pies deliciously appealing. Saves both time and money—makes good meals more honest.



Made in England by Bisto Ltd., London.



"NEGOTIATION FROM STRENGTH"

World Copyright. By arrangement with Daily Herald.

I WAS MARCHED TO COURT IN CHAINS!

By Cedric Berrington

WE sailed into Genoa at five minutes after midnight, escorted by the Italian coastguard launch that had machine-gunned us.

My crew were immediately put under lock and key. I was left alone on the Sunshine with little Hamed, my Arab boy, to cook for me.

The following day I asked that my written protest should be conveyed to the British Consul. This was refused. "After your interrogation," I was told. I was allowed to write to my wife—but before the letter was sent it was translated, with comments, to an interested group of coastguard officers on their headquarters ship alongside the Sunshine.

Next morning I was taken to the city headquarters of the coastguards, where I met the British Vice-Consul, who was present at my interrogation—which lasted until 11 o'clock that night.

It was clear to me that the coastguards realised they had made a blunder and were trying at all costs to cover themselves. Their lack of knowledge of the sea and its ways appalled me. The simplest ideas of navigation and position-fixing were beyond them. Thanks to the Vice-Consul, who translated for me, I was able to make my statement fairly clear.

Request refused

I AGAIN asked that my protest should go to the Consul and was again refused. I was not allowed to have any further communication with the Consul for five weeks.

Then on Monday, June 1, I entered the prison of Marassi and rejoined the rest of my crew. We were all optimistic and convinced that the coastguards, realising their mistake, would order our release in a few days. Meanwhile, we must make the best of things.

I shared a cell with Pierre, my French mate, and Lee St Lawrence, my American second mate. They were good companions and Lee constituted himself my "bodyguard" when at exercise I was pestered with demands for "cigarette, mister" from the Italian prisoners.

Genoa, as I already knew, is a focal point for smugglers and the goal of Marassi included a number of the fraternity. Among them were the captains of two small craft which had been caught a few weeks before—one only a few hundred metres from the shore, with half its cargo already unloaded into the waiting small boats. The "signalling system" of which we now heard, failed to operate on this occasion.

A Spanish captain explained it to us. The smuggling ship would approach the coast near Genoa in the dark. Their confederates ashore would have one of their men watching the dock where the coastguard launches were moored. As long as the launches stayed at their moorings all was well and the unloading

usually of cigarettes, carried merrily on.

If the coastguard launch started its engines and slipped its moorings the hidden watcher sprinted for a nearby telephone and called a number near the unloading point. A brief and, to the possible caveat, entirely innocent conversation was followed seconds later by the upward rush of a rocket near the unloading point.

Cedric Berrington, schooner skipper and wartime squadron-leader in the RAF, continues his vivid story of eight months of hell in an Italian gaol. Berrington stepped to freedom after being wrongly convicted of smuggling cigarettes. Now he tells his experiences.

And as a coloured star hung for a moment in the night sky the smuggler, his engines already running, was hastily casting off the ropes of the clustering small craft and swinging his bow to the open sea.

Unfortunately for the Spaniard, he had picked a time when the system failed to function and so he was caught: red-handed. He was philosophic about it. Those were the risks, he implied with a shrug, which one had to take.

The other captain, a Frenchman of a different type, had been really unlucky. Operating a high speed ex-U.S. Navy launch fitted with three Packard engines, he could show a clean pair of heels to any boat operated by the coastguards. He used special high-octane petrol for top speed and ordinary petrol for cruising.

He was caught because the ordinary petrol got mixed up with the high octane—reducing his speed from more than 40 knots to about 25.

After we had been about two weeks in prison the rumours which had been circulating about our case reached a peak of intensity. There is no doubt that at this time the coastguards were very worried. The public prosecutor, I learned afterwards, was reluctant to have anything to do with the case.

Hands manacled

AFTER we had been five weeks in prison I had my "judicial interrogation" and, at last, to see the British Consul and the lawyer who had been appointed for me.

My lawyer, Avvocato Giuseppe Machiavelli, was full of confidence. That was all very well, but I was getting sick with anxiety for my wife and small son in Tangier. They had only a few hundred pounds to keep them going and it was impossible for money to be transferred from England, and meanwhile I was locked up and unable to lift a finger for them.

It was taking five weeks for a letter from my wife to reach me, all my mail being subject to special censorship and having to be sent to Rome for this purpose. I hope the translator enjoyed my wife's remarks about Italian methods. About the middle of July the Consul told me that the prosecu-

tor, after much uncertainty, had decided that the case must go for trial. They realised now that matters had gone too far for them to draw back. The trial was fixed for July 27. Only another couple of weeks, I thought, and I shall be free. I didn't know the methods of the Italian lower courts.

On the morning of the trial we were handed over to the Carabinieri for conveyance to

the court. The British Vice-Consul, who was forbidden to act in this capacity.

The court retired to consider its verdict at about 6 p.m. Defence counsel, after the heat and fury of the day, were quietly confident. The court remained out for over an hour. During this long wait sympathetic members of the public who packed the gallery sent us cigarettes, beer and sweets, all of which we were allowed to consume in the dock.

At long last the members of the court filed back and the babble of the courtroom was hushed. The presiding magistrate read the verdict. I was fined 221,972,000 lire (£138,000), the cargo was confiscated and the ship sequestered. The crew were to be released.

A long sigh of wonder from the public gallery, then the voice of the Vice-Consul, Machiavelli, came to tell you that he did his best. Of course he did; they all did, and I would have felt grateful if I could, but I was too full of stunned, overwhelming disbelief to feel any other emotion.

Tomorrow: My fight to prove my innocence.

The verdict

THREE counsel appeared for the defence, Machiavelli for me and the others for the crew and the owners of the cargo. Avvocato Machiavelli, although young, is already a brilliant member of the Italian Bar. Plump, with his intelligent face set off by his Vandyke beard, he

earned a biting reply from "English". And proud of it, who wanted to know whether the Stone would join the kit, the pipes, the haggis, and other phony symbols of North British nationalism.

This was too much, and the Scots swept to the attack. The English replied, after the first shock of the charge, and brickbats have been flying ever since. Feelings still run high—no matter how much other places in the world forget the theft. One ardent Scots nationalist has taken to wearing a kilt to the office, much to the amazement of his English employees.

A third party is now joining in the controversy. The Indians, who for a time stood puzzled on the sidelines, are coming out with suggestions for solving what seems to them an international crisis. A British journalist who has worked in Britain suggested a more equal exchange of populations to avoid "this grave threat of civil war". He would have equal numbers of English drafted to Scotland, to replace the numbers of Scots who have gone south.

It is hardly possible that they could be expected to live there indefinitely, let alone earn a living," he said. "But give them some experience of the Scottish way of life, particularly the peculiar licensing laws,

could have stepped out of an old painting.

His address to the court lasted over an hour and reached heights of oratory which only my ignorance of the Italian language prevented me from fully appreciating.

In fact, my only knowledge of what was going on came from the few words which Lee St Lawrence, with his smattering of Italian, was able to catch from time to time.

No interpreter was provided, and the British Vice-Consul, who was forbidden to act in this capacity.

The court retired to consider its verdict at about 6 p.m. Defence counsel, after the heat and fury of the day, were quietly confident. The court remained out for over an hour. During this long wait sympathetic members of the public who packed the gallery sent us cigarettes, beer and sweets, all of which we were allowed to consume in the dock.

At long last the members of the court filed back and the babble of the courtroom was hushed. The presiding magistrate read the verdict. I was fined 221,972,000 lire (£138,000), the cargo was confiscated and the ship sequestered. The crew were to be released.

A long sigh of wonder from the public gallery, then the voice of the Vice-Consul, Machiavelli, came to tell you that he did his best. Of course he did; they all did, and I would have felt grateful if I could, but I was too full of stunned, overwhelming disbelief to feel any other emotion.

Tomorrow: My fight to prove my innocence.

The verdict

THREE counsel appeared for the defence, Machiavelli for me and the others for the crew and the owners of the cargo. Avvocato Machiavelli, although young, is already a brilliant member of the Italian Bar. Plump, with his intelligent face set off by his Vandyke beard, he

earned a biting reply from "English". And proud of it, who wanted to know whether the Stone would join the kit, the pipes, the haggis, and other phony symbols of North British nationalism.

This was too much, and the Scots swept to the attack. The English replied, after the first shock of the charge, and brickbats have been flying ever since. Feelings still run high—no matter how much other places in the world forget the theft. One ardent Scots nationalist has taken to wearing a kilt to the office, much to the amazement of his English employees.

A third party is now joining in the controversy. The Indians, who for a time stood puzzled on the sidelines, are coming out with suggestions for solving what seems to them an international crisis. A British journalist who has worked in Britain suggested a more equal exchange of populations to avoid "this grave threat of civil war". He would have equal numbers of English drafted to Scotland, to replace the numbers of Scots who have gone south.

It is hardly possible that they could be expected to live there indefinitely, let alone earn a living," he said. "But give them some experience of the Scottish way of life, particularly the peculiar licensing laws,

THE LONDON THEATRE:

Julie Is Not So Shocking

By RONALD ROPER

LONDON, Feb. 25. **I**T is a safe assumption that sophisticated Londoners went to the first-night of the Swedish Ballet Miss Julie mainly to be entertained but partly to find out what it was that had shocked Stockholmers.

There is, admittedly, a certain frank sensuality about Strindberg's story of the seduction of a manservant by the young lady of the house, but on the stage it is tactfully treated. The ballet, in any case, is much more than this incident, the inclusion of which, apparently, will shock fewer Britons than Swedes.

The Swedish company, however, rely overmuch on a single talented dancer, Elsa-Marianna van Roson, an attractive blonde with an efficient classical technique. She is the principal both in Miss Julie and in Medea, a Euripidean tragedy.

The most weighty criticism I have seen is that the choice of Medea, which would have tested the most accomplished of ballet companies, was a mistake. "Stockholm," says one authority, "used to be known as a centre of ballet, but this company does not seem to be aware of current international standards. It would, for instance, be idle to pretend that its standard is comparable with that of, say, the Junior Sadler's Wells company."

Miss Julie, it should be added, is well within the company's scope, and has the advantage of a Scandinavian setting.

A stolen kiss—by any reckoning a situation several degrees less shocking than Miss Julie's advances—which nevertheless starts a great deal of trouble is the occasion for much merriment at the Aldwych Theatre.

The West End first-night of Pinero's farce, Preserving Mr Penrudd, also marked the return to the stage after 11 years (five of them due to illness) of Reginald Purcell, who in the meantime has written radio scripts. The audience gave him a great welcome, to which he responded with an apt curtain speech.

Pinero's piece is 40 years old, and one modern reaction to the farce is understandable—the lament of the audience that there remain all too few mounds or graveyards from whom a repressed and respectable family man could have the chance of stealing even sympathy.

Mr Penrudd's hope, anyway, is off-stage. But thereafter the farce is fast and furious. Gwen Cherrell, as the governess, dances like a sunbeam in a dusty attic while making it perfectly clear that, after all, any man in the household might have been the emotional thief.

The sentimental M.P. (Alexander Archdale), his secretary and outwitted rival (Edmund Gray) and other members of the scandalised circle are delightful in their respective roles. Fair onlookers, by the way, may well wonder whether 1951 hasn't something to learn from the fashions of carefree 1911.

THERE are concert-goers who will do anything to accompany to the Royal Festival Hall in 1961 to come children yet unborn and tell them during the interval: "Ah, you should have been here in 1951, when we got in for nothing, sat on the floor and heard an excellent programme by more than 80 members of the Guildhall School of Music."

For the Festival Hall, at present without its seating, has been tested for acoustics with the aid of a volunteer audience of 3,000 who (as at some enjoyable all-fresco musical evenings in the tropics) brought their own cushions and sat it out on the floor.

The programme—representative of Tchaikovsky, Mozart, Sibelius and Rimsky-Korsakov—was designed to provide a wide range of volume and as great a variety of sound as possible. The results of the tests, which also included echo effects from the firing of shots from a revolver, appear to have been satisfactory. And early critics who feared that traffic noise from railways and roads nearby would spoil Festival Hall concerts have been reassuringly answered.

Both in its interior design and in the line of its perspective on the South Bank of the Thames, the new building, which came from the plans of LCC architects, appears likely to justify its place among the great concert halls of Europe. It will house one of the world's finest pipe organs, the installation of which is not expected to be complete before 1963.

Russell Spurr

Gremlins Win On A Picture Goal

Victorian Defence Held Out 40 Minutes Against An Inspired Forward Line

By "OBSERVER"

In a thrilling final, that was a fitting climax to the first postwar Ladies' Hockey League, Gremlins "A" edged out the Victorians by one goal to nil, to become the proud winners of the Championship.

For 40 minutes the two teams fought without a goal scored amidst a crescendo of rousing cheers from their supporters, with the Victorians, who needed only a draw to annex the title, grimly holding on against the all-out might of the Gremlin assaults.

A picture goal by their centre-forward, Hilda Fowler, ten minutes before the end of the match, gave the Gremlins their well-merited win.

On the form shown yesterday, the star-studded Gremlin XI fully deserved their victory. Displaying better stickwork and ball control on the whole, they enjoyed more than three-quarters of the play.

In defence, the slightly bumpy condition of the ground suited extremely well the spilling type of play adopted by their players. No less than three experienced players, Maude Read at goal, Hilda Fowler at centre-forward and Sybil Groundwater at inside-right were included in their team and the experience of these players proved an important contribution to their triumph.

Though having been out of the game for many years, Sybil Groundwater was still fast and kept her other forwards fed with excellent passes.

ALWAYS DANGEROUS

Hilda Fowler was always dangerous every time a cross pass came her way, confidently first-timing or taking it through. On the two wings, the Gremlins were ably served. Noelle Simmons on the right gave her best performance of the season from the opening minutes ripping the Victorian defence through time and again with lightning bursts of speed with the ball.

Valerie Slade on the left, was closely watched by Sylvia Franklin, and although play was concentrated more on the right flank, had still several opportunities for her lightning runs along the touchline.

An inclination by her to be offside, however, spoilt many promising movements coming from the right. Undoubtedly the outstanding player for the Gremlins was their centre-half, Marjorie McNeill, who not only bore the brunt of the defence but also piled her forwards with well-timed passes.

Renate Kerr came through with flying colours as a new find for the Gremlins' right-back position, and made an ideal partner, with her rapid covering and blocking, to a steady and hard-hitting Joan Gerrard.

The Abraham sisters, Sheila and Naomi were prominent with their hard-hitting and spilling tactics, particularly Naomi, who was given the none-too-easy task of looking after the Victorians' star right winger, Susan Whitworth.

THREE SHORT

The Victorians went down gallantly against superior odds, and it was rather unfortunate for them that for this deciding match they were without the services of three of their regular players, Anne Sainsbury at left-half, Owen Hughes at right-half and Beth McNaughton at left wing.

Starting the season from scratch, they have developed into a team that it is a delight to watch for their teamwork and combination, and the absence of these three players made a tremendous difference to their play.

Beth McNaughton was sorely missed on the left-wing, her absence enabling the Gremlins to concentrate their defence on their opposing right flank.

Without Anne Sainsbury and Pauline Owen-Hughes, in the wing-half positions, the feeding by the wing-halves left much to be desired.

Susan Whitworth on the right wing gave one of the most fighting displays yet seen in the League series, as time and again she made gallant attempts to break through only to find at least three defenders against her at a time.

Hannah Foley at inside-right was a tireless worker and Joan Crighton at centre-forward sent across some fine first time passes which, however, were in the main directed to the right.

Outstanding player for the Victorians was Peglyn Faber, who played a grand captain's game at centre-half. Together with Sylvia Franklin at right-back they were the mainstays of a continually harassed defence.

THE PLAY

Play began at a fast and furious pace, with Gremlins going into the attack as Noelle Simmons got through repeatedly on the right. In one of these movements, the Gremlin right-winger came into scoring distance, when she was well tackled by Rita Macdonald.

A good cross pass by Sybil Groundwater to centre-forward, Hilda Fowler, saw the latter make stepping the ball within the circle.

After being pressed to their "35" for the first 10 minutes, the Victorians broke loose and

had their share of the attack. Two promising movements by Gremlins and then Victorians were nullified by Valerie Slade and Hannah Foley being offside.

Just before the interval came the Gremlins' first-time shot off a pass from inside-right Hannah Foley was spectacularly stopped by the Gremlin right back, Renate Kerr, in front of the goalmouth. At the interval, the score was 0-0.

On the resumption, the Gremlins again sailed into the attack, and Peglyn Faber came to the rescue on three repeated occasions. In one of these attacks, Gremlins nearly succeeded when Sybil Groundwater followed up a mis-hit by a defender, flicked inwards to centre-forward Hilda Fowler, who, however, first-timed the ball just wide.

For the next ten minutes, play was more even. Victorians' Joan Crighton sent a good cross pass to the right, but this was too fast for Susan Whitworth. As the Victorians swarmed again into the circle, Renate Kerr made a good clearance.

Gremlins had two of their movements checked during the

period by Valerie Slade and Doris Barton being offside.

The Victorians had the attack again, but missed a golden chance when Susan Whitworth, with only the goalie to beat, failed to stop a cross pass from the left. Ten minutes before the end, Gremlins scored their winning goal.

Racing up with the ball, Sybil Groundwater pushed it across as she was about to be tackled by the opposing left-back.

Running up, Hilda Fowler snapped the pass, made her way between two defenders into the circle and slammed the ball hard into the goal.

With this setback, the Victorians fought back desperately to equalise and were soon all over the Gremlin goalmouth, only to find the Gremlin defenders thick in the circle.

Two valuable free-hits for the Victorians just outside the circle were thrown away, and in a final bid, Susan Whitworth wove her way among the network of defenders in the circle but found them too many for her, and with that came the final whistle.

ON THE RECORD

Not Even An Iced Strawberry For Superwoman

Those stories circulating last week that the Gremlins and Victorians were on a Spartan diet in preparation for the match of the year in the Ladies' Hockey League were, quite definitely, being pushed out by lounge lizards and borers hoping to instill a belief in the credulous that woman can resist buttered scones and chocolate eclairs.

These columns remained closed to all stories that the Victorians were keeping fit on illicit tartare and skimmer's milk and the Gremlins on dehydrated spinach and kumkums.

Quite rightly, too. A survey carried out among the twenty-two anxious and excited women who lined up for the match of the season in the Ladies' Hockey League yesterday disclosed the curious fact that between them they had done rather well by every conceivable type of flesh and fowl, by steak and kidney and Yorkshire pudding, by porridge, eggs, various exotic curries, pudding, banana splits, butter scotch sundae, jam omelettes and an iced mango. All that anywhere between three hours and a half-hour to the bully-oh.

There being no calculator attachment to our photographer's camera, we could not count the calories to any degree of accuracy. However, having had enough experience with cricket averages to be able to do some quick adding up, we came to the conclusion that the Victorians carried more calories on to the field than did the Gremlins.

There is no suggestion here that the Victorians were having their Tricentennial feast at lunchtime. The fact was that two Gremlins went without breakfast and one other went without either breakfast or lunch.

We would like, for the benefit of the many little girls in this city aspiring to fame with a hockey stick in their hands, to sift out all this dietary data and be able to inform them that, for example, a little crab meat with mayonnaise, one stick of satey and two prunes are the ideal pre-hockey match meal.

What subsequently happened on the field of play bore out no theories other than one—and the data is incomplete here—that the only two women who admitted having had a substantial meal, their roast beef and Yorkshire pudding were here, there and everywhere, always in control of the situation and about the only two who were putting as much brain as energy into the game. Both were Victorians. There were twenty other women on the field and their performances and the fuel on which they worked do not provide any broad lines for

analysis. Doris Barton, for example, was playing the game of her life on a pork chop and spinach, while Joan Gerrard excelled herself on a rather lavish repast of roast beef, cauliflower and sprouts, fruit sauce, cherries and cream. Sheila and Naomi Abraham, who on their form yesterday were automatic selections for a Colony XI, had rested content on a breakfast of porridge and eggs.

Mother Read would not divulge any data on what went into her Sunday dinner. Whatever it was, our first impression was that it had dampened her spirits for little could be heard of her voice in the tumult of battle.

First impressions can be wrong. Mother Read had quite a lot to say in the first few minutes of the game. She admitted defeat, cagy as ever, when Father Crighton appointed himself cheer leader for the Victorians.

Keen as ever on good hockey, he started with "Go on, Vics!" and, as the Gremlins dominated play in the first few minutes despite this reminder of throat easers, he could not resist directing operations.

One must admit that Father Crighton knows his hockey. His directions were sound. This worried Mother Read at first but, as she noticed more Gremlins than Victorians responding to his advice, she let her girls have the benefit of this expert coaching.

However, here we are straying away from the subject at issue. When we arrived at King George V School yesterday, there was only one of the 22 women necessary to a hockey match already there.

That was the Gremlin's prized left wing, Valerie Slade, who, finished with a steak and kidney pudding and as excited at the prospect of battle as a kitten can be with a ball of wool.

On that steak and kidney pudding the fastest female in town looked like Olympian material. She outspun the Gremlins' forward line again and again and all the umpire could do about it was blow for off-side.

But the girl who really started us off on all this was the one who went without breakfast or dinner. She was the second to arrive. When first sighted by us, she was on the bank above the ground. She took the dozen steps down in a single leap, her coat, buttoned about her neck with sleeves loose of arms, flowing in the wind behind her like a cape. "We are not so clumsy as you think," she said, "I am a Superwoman. I would look like



GREMLINS: Renate Kerr, Maude Read and Joan Gerrard. Sheila Abraham, Marjorie McNeill and Naomi Abraham. Noelle Simmons, Sybil Groundwater, Hilda Fowler, Doris Barton and Valerie Slade.

With them is their coach, Ernie Fowler, with the cigar promised him if Gremlins bagged the Championship.



VICTORIANS: Sylvia Franklin, Pat Lederhofer and Rita Macdonald. Nancy Buyers, Peglyn Faber and D. Handiside. Susan Whitworth, Hannah Foley, Joan Crighton, Barbara Phillips and Mary Eddis.

With them is their mascot, property of the outside-left.—Photos by China Mail Staff Photographer.

4 Old Blues To Row For Cambridge

London, Mar. 4.

Four Old Blues are included in the Cambridge University crew to row against Oxford University in the annual boat race over four and a quarter miles from Putney to Mortlake on March 24.

They are C.B.M. Lloyd, President of the Cambridge University Boat Club, D. M. Jennings and H. Almond, both of whom rowed last year, and W. A. Windham, who rowed in 1947.

The crew, announced by Lloyd, who is the first Australian to be President of the C.U.B.C., will be (in rowing order) bow H. R. Almond (Lady Margaret), 2—D. D. Macklin (Lady Margaret), 3—

J. G. P. Crowden (Pembroke), 4—R. F. A. Sharpley (Lady Margaret), 5—E. J. Worledge (Lady Margaret), 6—C. B. M. Lloyd (Lady Margaret), 7—W. A. D. Windham (Christ), stroke—D. M. Jennings (Clare), 8—

cox—J. F. K. Hindle (Pembroke). Jennings stroked the winning 1949 crew. Cambridge University are slight favourites to win for the fifth successive year.—Reuter.

THE HONG KONG JOCKEY CLUB

NOTICE TO MEMBERS
EASTER RACE MEETING
Saturday 24th & Monday 26th March, 1951

The First Bell will be rung at 11.30 a.m. and the first race will be run at 12.00 Noon, each day. The fifth interval is after the fourth race (1.30 p.m.).

There are twelve races each day (24 in all). Through Tickets at \$48.00 each may be obtained at the Comptroller Office of the Club, 1st floor, Telephone House, also tickets at \$2.00 each for the Special Cash Sweep on the last day of the Meeting as well as the Special Cash Sweep on the "Hong Kong Derby" scheduled to be run on Saturday, 12th May. Through Tickets reserved for this Meeting but not paid for by 10.00 a.m. on Friday, 23rd March, will be sold and the reservation cancelled for future meetings.

To avoid congestion at the Club's Offices at Telephone House, non-members are requested to purchase their sweep tickets at the Club's Branch Offices at:

5, D'Agular Street, Hong Kong
382, Nathan Road, Kowloon.

MEMBERS' BADGES AND ENCLOSURE
SETS OF MEMBERS' AND LADIES' BADGES WHICH WERE ISSUED FOR THE 1950 RACING SEASON ARE VALID FOR THIS MEETING. THE NEW SETS OF BADGES WILL NOT BE VALID UNTIL 1ST APRIL 1951.

Members and guests are reminded that they and their ladies MUST wear their badges prominently displayed throughout the Meeting.

NO ONE WITHOUT A BADGE WILL BE ADMITTED TO THE MEMBERS' ENCLOSURE.
Badges admitting ladies not in possession of Brooches or Season tickets and gentlemen, non-members of the Club, to the Members' Enclosure and Club Rooms at \$10.00 per day including tax, for ladies or gentlemen are obtainable through the Secretary on the written or personal introduction of a member, such member to be responsible for all visitors introduced by him, and for payment of all bills etc.

Badges admitting to Members' Enclosure will NOT be on sale at the RACE COURSE.
The Treasurers' Comptroller Office and the Secretary's Office will close at 10.00 a.m. each day. Both offices at 1st floor, Telephone House.

A limited number of tifins will be obtainable at the Club House provided they are ordered in advance from the No. 1 Boy (Tel. 27818).

NO CHILDREN WILL BE ADMITTED TO THE CLUB'S PREMISES DURING THE MEETING.

PUBLIC ENCLOSURE
The price of admission to the Public Enclosure is \$3.00 per day including tax for all persons including ladies, and is payable at the Gate.

BOOKMAKERS, TIC TAC MEN ETC. WILL NOT BE PERMITTED TO OPERATE WITHIN THE PREMISES OF THE HONG KONG JOCKEY CLUB DURING THE RACE MEETING. MEALS AND REFRESHMENTS WILL BE OBTAINABLE IN THE RESTAURANT IN THE PUBLIC ENCLOSURE.

SERVANTS' PASSES
Servants' passes will be issued to private box holders only, who are requested to distribute them with discrimination and to endorse their names on the passes. Holders of such passes are not permitted in the Members' Enclosure except for passing through on their duties and must remain in their employers' stands.

Owing to the present congestion in the Members' Betting Hall, Box-holders and Members are requested to ensure that their servants make use only of the Public Betting Hall. Military Police will be posted at various entrances to the Members' Hall to ensure that this regulation is adhered to.

BY ORDER,
A. A. Slings,
Secretary.

BRAATHENS

the S.A.F.E. WAY to Europe!

HONGKONG — OSLO via AMSTERDAM
BOOKINGS ACCEPTED FOR ALL EUROPE
Braathens S.A.F.E. Airtransport A/S
FLIGHTS EVERY FRIDAY 5 A.M.
EVERY SECOND FRIDAY IN CONJUNCTION WITH CPA
Book Passages & Freight Through Your Travel Agent or

Agents:
WALLEN & COMPANY LIMITED
Hongkong & Shanghai Bank Building
Tel: 38041-5

GRAND BOXING CONTEST

IN AID OF
HONGKONG BOY SCOUTS JAMBOREE FUND
AT
The China Fleet Club Theatre Hall

WEDNESDAY 7TH MARCH 1951

AT 8.30 P.M.

(UNDER THE DISTINGUISHED PATRONAGE OF
SIR ARTHUR MORSE, K.B., C.B.E., LL.D.)

TICKETS:—

RINGSIDE	\$15.00
FRONT SEATS	\$10.00
BACK SEATS	\$5.00
SPECIAL SEATS FOR SERVICES AT	\$2.00

BOOKINGS AT: Mr. F. L. LAM
Room 58 Hotel Cecil. Tel. 26330.

BOY SCOUTS OF FORTY-TWO NATIONS HAVE
AGREED TO MEET IN VIENNA AT THE WORLD
SCOUT JAMBOREE — WITH YOUR KIND SUPPORT
HONGKONG WILL ALSO BE REPRESENTED.

Queen
Scots

This sovereign Whisky possesses the distinction of flavour which will claim your allegiance from the first sip.

HIGHLAND QUEEN
SCOTCH WHISKY

Sole Agents:
DODWELL & CO. LTD.

MACDONALD & MUIR LTD., DISTILLERS, LEITH, SCOTLAND

THE HONG KONG STAGE CLUB

will present
"THE WIND AND THE RAIN"

by
MERTON HODGE
on

THURS. 8th MAR. 1951 at 9.00 P.M.
FRI. 9th " " " 7.30 "
SAT. 10th " " " 9.00 "

at the
CHINA FLEET CLUB THEATRE
BOOKINGS AT MOUTRIES

Kowloon Residents:
A special FERRY WILL RUN FROM POLICE FERRY
KOWLOON, to the THEATRE 35 mins. before each
performance, returning after the show. FARE \$1.00 each
way.

BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE

CHINA NAVIGATION CO., LTD.

SAILINGS TO			
ANSHUN	Kobe, Osaka & Yokohama	5 p.m. 5th Mar.	
BUNAN	Tsingtao & Tientsin	5 p.m. 5th Mar.	
PAKHOT	Tokyo, Yokohama, Nagoya, Osaka & Kobe	3 p.m. 8th Mar.	
SHENKING	Keelung	5 p.m. 8th Mar.	
FOYANG	Tsingtao & Tientsin	3 p.m. 8th Mar.	
SHANGHAI	Bangkok	5 p.m. 10th Mar.	
SINKIANG	Singapore & Djakarta	5 p.m. 10th Mar.	
SHENKING	Keelung	5 p.m. 14th Mar.	
TUNNAN	Bangkok	5 p.m. 20th Mar.	

ARRIVALS FROM

PAKHOT	Bangkok	7 a.m. 6th Mar.	
SHENKING	Keelung	7 a.m. 7th Mar.	
FOYANG	Indonesia & Bintan	9 a.m. 7th Mar.	
SINKIANG	Singapore	8th Mar.	
PRODUCE	Molli	9th Mar.	
SHANGHAI	Kobe	9th Mar.	

AUSTRALIAN-ORIENTAL LINE LTD. CHINA NAVIGATION CO., LTD. JOINT SERVICE

SAILINGS TO

TAIPEI	Kobe, Yokohama & Yokohama	5 p.m. 8th Mar.	
CHANGTE	Sydney & Melbourne	14th Mar.	
TAIPEI	Sydney & Melbourne	28th Mar.	

ARRIVALS FROM

TAIPEI	Australia & Manila	In Port	
CHANGTE	Japan	11th Mar.	
TAIPEI	Japan	25th Mar.	

BLUE FUNNEL LINE

Scheduled Sailings to Europe via Aden & Port Said

PELEUS	Marseilles, Liverpool & Glasgow	10th Mar.	
CALCHAS	Dublin & Liverpool	25th Mar.	
AGAPENOR	Canton, Canshui, London, Holland & Hamburg	28th Mar.	
PATROCLUS	Marseilles, Liverpool & Glasgow	6th Apr.	

Scheduled Sailings from Europe

Sails	Arrives	Sails	Arrives
G. "ANCHISES"	20th Jan.	Liverpool	6th Mar.
S. "AGAPENOR"	5th Feb.	Rotterdam	14th Mar.
G. "PATROCLUS"	14th Feb.	—	22nd Mar.
S. "AENEAS"	21st Feb.	—	1st Apr.
G. "AUTOMEDON"	4th Mar.	—	8th Apr.
S. "MYRMIDON"	7th Mar.	—	12th Apr.
G. "PROMETHEUS"	Sailed	—	13th Apr.
S. "PERSEUS"	13th Mar.	—	15th Apr.
G. "MARON"	21st Mar.	—	25th Apr.
G. "BELLEROPHON"	21st Mar.	—	25th Apr.

G. Loading Glasgow before Liverpool.

S. Loading Swansea before Liverpool.

• Unscheduled.

DE LA RAMA LINES

Arriving via MANILA from U.S. PACIFIC & ATLANTIC COAST PORTS.

"BATAAN" 10th Mar.

Sailing to NEW YORK, BALTIMORE, PHILADELPHIA, BOSTON, NORFOLK, NEWPORT NEWS and CHARLESTON via JAPAN, SAN FRANCISCO, LOS ANGELES, CRISTOBAL and KINGSTON.

"BATAAN" 7th Apr.

Cathay Pacific Airways Ltd.

Route	Departs Hongkong	Arrives HK (on return)
HK/Bangkok/Singapore (DC-4)	7.30 a.m. Tues. Fri.	9.00 a.m. Wed. Sat.
HK/Singapore/Batavia (DC-4)	7.30 a.m. Tues. Fri.	9.00 a.m. Wed. Sat.
HK/Manila/B.N. Borneo (DC-3)	6.30 a.m. Mon.	4.00 p.m. Tues.
HK/Manila (DC-3)	7.00 a.m. Thurs.	5.00 p.m. Thurs.

All the above subject to alteration without notice. For passage and Freight particulars please apply to

1 CONNAUGHT RD. C. Tel. 30331/8
BRANCH OFFICE: 50 Connaught Rd. West. 25875, 32144, 24878.

BEND LINE

ARRIVALS

SHIP	FROM	DUE
"BENVOLICH"	U.K. via Singapore	on or abt. 13th Mar.
"BENMACDHUI"	do	28th Mar.
"BENALDER"	do	5th Apr.
"BENAVON"	do	16th Apr.
"BENVENUE"	do	7th May

SAILING Loading on or abt.

"BENVOLICH"	Liverpool & Rotterdam	17th Mar.
"BENALDER"	Liverpool, Glasgow, Dublin & Rotterdam	10th Apr.
"BENMACDHUI"	London, Antwerp, Rotterdam & Hull	2nd Apr.
"BENAVON"	do	20th Apr.

Via Singapore, Colombo, Port Sudan, Aden & Suez.

W. R. LOXLEY & CO. (CHINA) LTD.

Agents

York Building Telephone: 34105.

CHINA MAIL

HONGKONG PUBLISHED DAILY (AFTERNOON)

Price, 20 cents per copy.

Saturday, 30 cents

Subscription: \$5.00 per month

Postage: China and Macao \$1.50

per month, U.K. British Possessions

and other countries \$3.00 per month.

News contributions, advertisements, etc., should be addressed to the Editor, business communications and advertisements to the Secretary.

Telephone: 2511 (3 Lines).

Kowloon Office: Salisbury Road, Telephone: 3525.

Classified Advertisements

20 words \$3.00

for 1 DAY PREPAID

ADDITIONAL INSERTIONS

\$1.00 PER DAY

10 cents PER WORD OVER 20

Births, Deaths, Marriages,

Personal \$5.00 per insertion

not exceeding 25 words, 25

cents each additional word.

ALTERNATE INSERTIONS

10% EXTRA

If not prepaid a booking fee

of 50 cents is charged.

WANTED KNOWN

RADIO REPAIRS performed by

trained technicians under foreign

supervision. Modern accurate

methods, no guesswork. Repairs in-

clude cleaning and checking chassis.

Moderate rates, reliable work. Our

reputation is your guarantee. Phone

2510, and we'll do the rest. Colonial

Agencies, School Buildings, 14

Queen's Road.

LADIES, we have at your service

all specialized operations for Helens

Curtis: cool waves, machineless oil

perms, hairdyes & manures—Rose

Marie Beauty Parlour—Phone

50384—43, Hankow Road, Kowloon.

FOR SALE

BRISTLE FOR SALE. Apply Gen-

eral Trust of China, 12A, Pedder

Street, Hongkong.

CONVENIENT EASY Way to own a

New Pilot Radio. Whether you need

a bedside night, large table model,

or luxury radio-gram, we have a

"Pilot" to suit. Terms as low as

only \$30 per month. Colonial

Agencies, School Buildings, 14

Queen's Road. Phone 50310.

PEKING ART RUG CO., 21A

Nathan Rd., Kowloon, sell ex-

clusively carpets and rugs. Please drop in

and have a look

NOTICE HONGKONG TRAMWAYS LIMITED.

NOTICE IS HEREBY

GIVEN that the ORDINARY

YEARLY GENERAL MEET-

ING of the Company will be

held at Offices of Messrs.

JARDINE, MATHESON AND

COMPANY, LTD., HONG-

KONG, on Wednesday, the

21st day of March, 1951, at

11.30 o'clock in the forenoon

to transact the ordinary

business of the Company and

to consider and, if thought

fit, passing an Ordinary

Resolution to increase the

remuneration of each Direc-

tor to \$4,000.00 per annum

and to increase the additional

remuneration of the Chair-

man to \$2,000.00 per annum

as from 1st January, 1951.

The Register of Members

and Transfer Books of the

Company will be closed from

the 7th day of March to the

21st day of March 1951, both

days inclusive.

By Order of the Board,

W. H. PATERSON,

Secretary.

Hongkong, 26th Feb., 1951.

NOTICE

HONG KONG AUTOMOBILE

ASSOCIATION

Annual General Meeting

The Annual General Meet-

ing of the Hong Kong

Automobile Association will

be held in the HONG KONG

HOTEL ROOF GARDEN on

TUESDAY, 13th March, 1951,

at 5.30 p.m.

All Members are particu-

larly urged to attend.

By Order,

PEAT, MARWICK,

MITCHELL & CO.

Secretaries & Treasurers.

PLAYING CARDS

IN PRESENTATION BOXES
COMPRISING TWO PACKS
PRINTED WITH YOUR
MONOGRAM, AND FOUR
SCORING PADS.

CLUB & REGIMENTAL
CRESTS PRINTED ON
BACKS TO ORDER

on sale at

YE OLDE PRINTERIE, LTD.,

STATIONERY DEPT.

NO. 1, DUDELL

STREET

Tel: 36966.

IT'S AZALEA TIME!

COME AND SEE THE
DISPLAY IN OUR
WINDOW

The
CLOVER FLOWER SHOP
Gloucester Arcade

LOW PRICES

Calculators, Typewriters

Carbons & Ribbons

The World Typewriter Co.

46, Wellington St., Tel: 20506.

Repairing Service.

HARRIMAN REALTY CO., LTD.

Real Estate

Agents

and Valuers

SHOUSON HILL

Attractive house available for sale

or on long lease. Large garden.

Full particulars on application.

Telegrams

"Harriman"

Tel: 35846

King's Building (2nd Floor) 9 Connaught Rd., Hong Kong

Controls are on



MANDRAKE THE MAGICIAN

By Lee Falk and Phil Davis



FERD'NAND

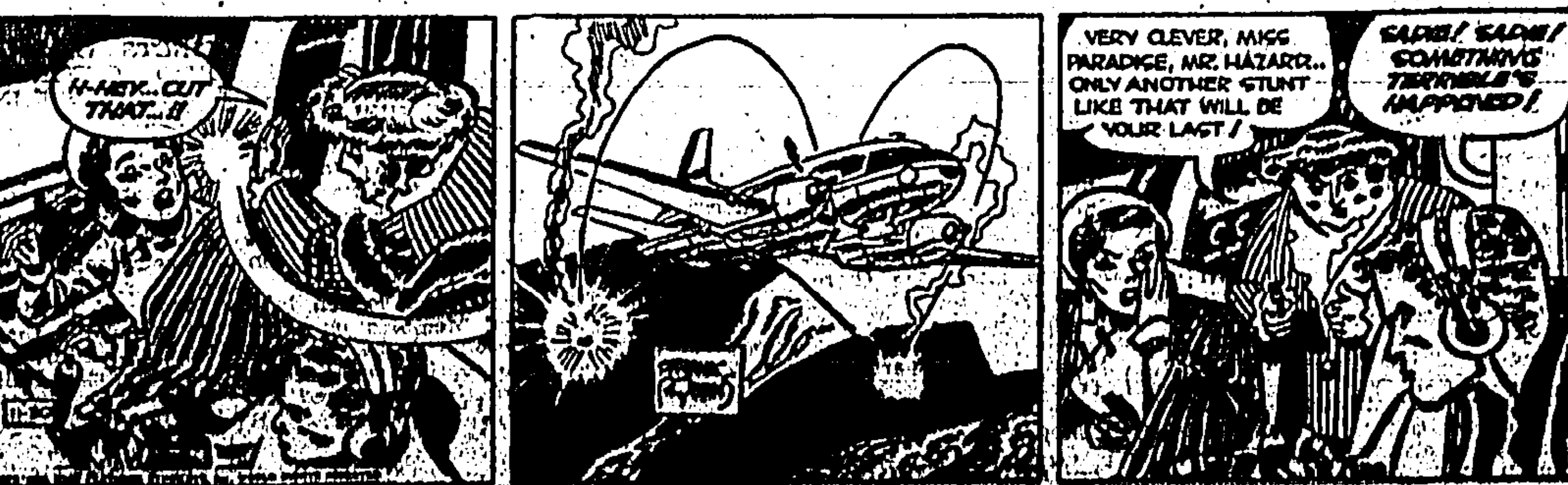
Sound Precaution

By Milk



JOHNNY HAZARD

By Frank Robbins



P&O B.I. E&A COMPANIES

PENINSULA & ORIENTAL S.N. CO.

Passenger/Freight Service

Outwards	Leaves Hongkong	Due London
"CANTON"	4th February	12th March
"CANTON"	11th March	19th April
"CANTON"	18th April	26th May
"CANTON"	25th May	2nd June

Via Southampton, Port Said, Aden, Bombay, Colombo, Penang, Singapore

Homewards: Leaves Hongkong Due London

"CANTON" 12th March 19th April

"CANTON" 19th April 26th May

"CANTON" 26th May 2nd June

Accepting cargo for Singapore, Penang, Colombo, Bombay, Aden, Port Said & London.

Freight Service

Outwards	Due Hongkong	From
"SHILLONG"	8th April	London & Continent
Homewards	Leaves Hongkong	For
"SHILLONG"	15th April	London & Continent

Accepting cargo for Singapore, Port Said, Aden, Bombay, Penang, Colombo, Aden, Port Said, Gt. Britain, London, Hamburg, Antwerp & Rotterdam, with liberty to call at Bombay if independent of other.

Tanks available for carriage of all in bulk. Space for refrigerated cargo. Limited passenger accommodation.

BRITISH INDIA S.N. CO., LTD.

"SIRIDHANA"	due 7th Mar.	from Japan
"SIRIDHANA"	due 14th Mar.	from Japan
"SIRIDHANA"	due 21st Mar.	from Japan

These ships have refrigerated cargo space.

P. & O. B. I. JOINT SERVICE

"RANEE"	In Port	from Karachi
"PUNDUA"	sails 13th Mar.	from Bombay, Madras, Penang & Singapore
"PACHUMBA"	sails 10th Mar.	from Bombay, Madras & Straits
"MUSWELL HILL"	sails 10th Mar.	from Japan
"MUSWELL HILL"	sails 10th Mar.	from Japan

Accepting cargo on

MESSAGERIES MARITIMES

ARRIVALS
"MEINAM" from Japan 24th Mar.
SAILINGS
PASSENGER/FREIGHT SERVICE
"FELIX ROUSSEL" to Marseilles via Manila 1st Apr.
"LA MARSEILLAISE" to Japan 8th May
"LA MARSEILLAISE" to Marseilles via Manila 10th May

FREIGHT SERVICE
"DEAUVAIS" N. Africa & Europe 6th Mar.
"MEINAM" N. Africa & Europe 26th Mar.
"GRANVILLE" N. Africa & Europe 27th Mar.
for
PORT SAID, TUNIS, MARSEILLES, ALGIERS, ORAN, TANGIER, CASABLANCA, HAVRE, DUNKERQUE, ANTWERP & ROTTERDAM.

CIE DES MESSAGERIES MARITIMES
Queen's Building Tel. 26651 (Three Lines)

WATERMAN STEAMSHIP CORPORATION

WATERMAN LINE EXPRESS FREIGHT SERVICE

FROM U.S. ATLANTIC COAST VIA JAPAN

4. "KYSKA" Due about 21st Mar. 1951

DIRECT FOR
NEW YORK, BALTIMORE & PHILADELPHIA
VIA JAPAN & HONOLULU.

4. "KYSKA" Sails about 22nd Mar. 1951

ALSO ACCEPTING TRANSHIPMENT CARGO FOR GULF PORTS.

WALLEM & CO., LTD.

Agents
Hongkong & Shanghai Bank Building
Telephones:—38041—5

GREAT SALE RUGS

PALACE RUG CO.
4, Granville Rd., 1st Fl.
Kowloon.

PRESS PHOTOGRAPHS

Copies of photographs taken by the South China Morning Post, South China Sunday Post-Herald, China Mail and Hong Kong Telegraph Staff Photographers are on view in the Morning Post Building.

ORDERS BOOKED

RODO HOUSE

240, Tai Po Road, Kowloon, Tel. 50976
Cable Address: "RODOHOUSE"
1st class and comfortable living quarters available at moderate prices.
Meals are cheap (\$6 for 3 meals) but they are wholesome. Hotel Car provided for our guest.
Register in the RODO HOUSE now.

Y. H. CHAN, Manager.

ESSENTIAL SUPPLIES CERTIFICATES

Application Forms for Essential Supplies Certificates may be obtained from South China Morning Post Limited.

10 CENTS EACH.

Headaches For U.S. Business

New York, Mar. 4.
Rapid changes in price and wage control regulations kept industry and business hopping this week. It was a struggle to keep up because of the Government switching signals on several of its orders.

Under the changing rules, clothing had to unfreeze present prices. In the future, the freeze will be on the percentage of mark-up—the margin between what the retailer pays and what he charges customers for an item.

Automobile manufacturers received permission to increase their prices for new cars 3 1/2 per cent.

Wage controls were amended to permit payment of cost of living increases above the ceilings recently imposed.

The reaction of many businessmen to the price and wage control changes was that they would like to see a little stability in the stabilization programme.

The worries of business and industry were not confined to controls alone. The big woolen and worsted mills will be shut down by a wage dispute.

Labour trouble threatened in the cotton and rayon industries. General Electric said it would sell its Onkand, Calif., transformer plant, closed since last October by a strike.

Production remained high, however. It had to stay at a high level to keep ahead of mounting military contracts.

General Motors Corporation, for instance, announced it had received more than US\$3,000,000 worth of defence orders.

This is about one-fourth the dollar volume of military goods General Motors made during World War II—Associated Press.

Worth St. Trading Held Down

New York, Mar. 4.
The price ceiling uncertainties and the fear of widespread strikes in cotton and rayon mills continued to hold business down last week in the Worth Street cotton goods trade.

The suspension of trading in spot cotton and futures markets for the fifth week and signs of increased buyer resistance to high prices of finished goods further complicated the picture for mills attempting to formulate future selling plans. Burlap trading remained at a virtual standstill, while the trade awaited a decision on ceiling prices. One report said that American merchants first would seek to obtain from India commitments to maintain the present ceiling prices on export burlap before the United States makes final plans for dollars and cents ceilings here.—United Press.

Tin Conference

Washington, Mar. 4.
A diplomatic official told the United Press that the State Department had fixed March 14 as the date for holding a preliminary tin conference here to consider setting up a tin allocations committee under the central allocations group.—United Press.

Britain Confronted By Serious Shortage Of Commodities

(OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT)

London, Mar. 4.
The Labour Government has suffered two week-end defeats in succession. The second of these, last Friday, was on a private member's motion criticising the Government for not stockpiling vital commodities and for not making more use of private traders to ensure continuity of supplies.

Members listened to a long statement by Mr Harold Wilson, President of the Board of Trade, in which he outlined the raw material situation with special reference to the now critical shortage of sulphur.

At the end of it Conservative members were still far from satisfied that the Government was doing all in its power to build up the nation's stocks of those commodities which will be most necessary to enable the rearmament programme to be carried out.

It would be dangerously easy to join in the condemnation of the Government but what we desperately need now is not rearmament, something that can be taken for granted) we find that there are very few commodities which are in anything like adequate supply.

So far as foods are concerned (and food has the lion's share of the money set aside for stockpiling) "The Economist" says that cocoa, sugar and possibly wheat alone among the staple foodstuffs are likely to be available in large quantities this year. These three commodities alone could hardly be said to constitute a strategic stockpile of food.

On the raw material side practically every metal is in varying degrees of shortage. Such metals as copper, zinc, nickel, tungsten, chrome, molybdenum and some other alloy metals will be extremely difficult to obtain but without sufficient reserves of these materials the country cannot feel adequately prepared for the worst that could happen.

EMBARGO POINTLESS

Little could be obtained for our own stockpile by banning exports of raw materials to the iron curtain countries. Except for rubber the amounts of raw materials which we export to these countries are very small and we would probably stand to lose more than we would gain from an all-out trade embargo.

The Government's hopes now seem to be concentrated on the outcome of the various commodity groups which are being set up in Washington. If something can be done to ensure a more equitable distribution of available supplies among the free nations by a reduction in American stockpiling these hopes may yet be realised. Failing that, the building up of strategic reserves can only be accompanied by further restrictions on civilian consumption—a deprivation which would inevitably be borne for the most part by the home market—or in competition with other stockpiling authorities—thus giving the impetus to another inflationary price spiral.

Other commodity shares continued their advance. Sisal gains have been fully held on the higher price of the commodity and the benefits gained by the change of domicile.

Glutted made gains and steel stock ended the week at its highest level. Several Colonial borrowers are awaiting an opportunity to enter the market but it is believed they will hold off until the market has been "groomed."

HONGKONG SHARE MARKET

HONGKONG SHARE MARKET

The volume of business transacted on the Stock Exchange this morning was \$178,238.80. The half day's business and noon closing prices were as follows:

SHARES BUYERS SELLERS SALES BANKS

HSK Bank 1300 KD 5 @ 1300

East Asia 101

INSURANCES

Canlon 200 50 @ 675

Union 975 10 @ 675

Underwriters 3 10 @ 675

HSK Fire 143 10 @ 675

SHIPPING

Asia Nav. 600

DOCKS, ETC.

K. Wharf 81.50 110 @ 82 1/2

N. P. Wharf 5.10 100 @ 5.10

Dock 13 200 @ 12.00

Providence 1134 3 1000 @ 2.85

SHAI Dock

LAND, ETC.

HSK Hotel 675 500 @ 5.50

HSK Land 30 100 @ 20

Munipreys 30 100 @ 7.50

UTILITIES

Tram 1824 10 500 @ 13.

Star Ferry 00 1000 @ 13.

C. Light (O) 00 1000 @ 13.

C. Light (B) 00 1000 @ 13.

Electric 23 100 @ 5.70

INDUSTRIALS

Cent 30 100 @ 13

Hope 15 100 @ 13

STONES, ETC.

Dairy 10 400 @ 13

Dairy (New) 115 1000 @ 13 1/2

Wabco 115 1000 @ 13 1/2

L. Crawford 215

Exchange Rates

Business was done in the local

monetary exchange market this

morning at the following rates:

Sterling note (per £) 15.50

U.S. dollars (per \$1) 6.00

Indonesian guilders (per 100) 3.25

Siam baht (per 100) 20.50

Singapore dollars (per 100) 1.75

etc. etc. (per 100) 12.50

R.I.L. ROYAL INTEROCEAN LINES

SINGAPORE JAVA PORTS and MACASSAR
ARRIVALS
"TASMAN" In Port 7th Mar.
"TITJALENGKA" 16th Mar.
"VAN HEUTSZ" 24th Mar.
"TIJWANGI" 27th Mar.
only to Singapore, Penang & B. Deli.

MANILA, EAST & SOUTH AFRICA and SOUTH AMERICA
ARRIVALS
"TJISADANE" In Port 7th Mar.
"TJIBESAR" 10th Mar.
"BOISSEVAIN" 21st Mar.
"STRAAT SOENDA" In Port 25th Mar.
not proceeding to S. America.
not calling Manila.

JAPAN
ARRIVALS
"TJIPANAS" 18th Mar.
"TJIBESAR" 20th Mar.
"BOISSEVAIN" 21st Mar.
"VAN HEUTSZ" 18th Mar.
"STRAAT SOENDA" 6th Apr.
26th Mar.

Agents: HOLLAND EAST ASIA LINE

EUROPE via MANILA and MALAYA
ARRIVALS
"AAGTERKERK" 20th Mar.
"ALMKEERK" 20th Mar.
"TANGLERSOOT" Mid. Apr.
2nd week Apr.
Through B/L issued to Mediterranean and Northern European Ports.

JAPAN
ARRIVALS
"AAGTERKERK" 10th Mar.
"ALMKEERK" 2nd week Apr.
"TANGLERSOOT" May
26th Mar.
Mid. Apr.

KING'S BUILDING TELEPHONES: 28015 TO 28017

CHINESE AGENTS: 28018 TO 28021



MAERSK LINE

FAST FORTNIGHTLY SERVICE TO:
NEW YORK, BOSTON, BALTIMORE & PHILADELPHIA, via
SAN FRANCISCO, LOS ANGELES AND PANAMA

NEXT SAILINGS

M.S. "LAURA MAERSK" Mar. 15
M.S. "HULDA MAERSK" Mar. 30
M.S. "TREIN MAERSK" Apr. 14

TANKS OF ALL SIZES AVAILABLE FOR BULK OIL

ARRIVALS FROM U.S.A.

M.S. "TREIN MAERSK" Mar. 14
M.S. "PETER MAERSK" Mar. 23
M.S. "LEXA MAERSK" Apr. 21

For Freights and Further Particulars please apply to:—

AGENTS:

JEBSEN & CO.

Pedder Building Tel. Nos. 26861-3.

2 FLIGHTS WEEKLY!

NORTH to
TAIPEH & TOKYO
MONDAYS & FRIDAYS

SOUTH to
SINGAPORE via BANGKOK
WEDNESDAYS & SUNDAYS

Express Skymaster COACH SERVICE at reduced rates!

PACIFIC OVERSEAS AIRLINES, SIAM

PENINSULA HOTEL, KOWLOON. PHONE 58865.

Pacific Far East Line, Inc.

Fast Regular Trans-Pacific Service

DIRECT SAN FRANCISCO, LOS ANGELES OVERLAND NEW YORK-CHICAGO DETROIT-TORONTO MONTREAL AND ALL AMERICAN & CANADIAN CITIES

Vessel	From	Arrives	Departs	For
"F. J. LUCKENBACH"	Strait	Mar. 15	Mar. 16	San Francisco via Kobe & Yokohama
"PHILIPPINE DEAR"	Strait	Mar. 30	Mar. 31	San Francisco via Kobe & Yokohama
"F. J. LUCKENBACH"	Strait	Apr. 20	Apr. 21	San Francisco & Los Angeles
"EDGAR LUCKENBACH"	San Francisco	Apr. 22	Apr. 23	Singapore, Davao, Cebu, Manila, Hong Kong, Yokohama
"MATTHEW LUCKENBACH"	San Francisco	Apr. 27	Apr. 28	San Francisco via Kobe & Yokohama

For full particulars call General Agent, Pacific Far East Line, Inc., Peninsular Hotel, Kowloon.

Japanese Industrial Mission

Tokyo, Mar. 4.
The Japanese Prime Minister, Mr Shigeru Yoshida, is selecting members for a special "Industrial Mission" to be despatched to the United States shortly, according to the Kyodo news agency today.

The despatch of key industrialists will be separate from the proposed despatch of the Finance Minister, Mr Hayato Ikeda, and the Prime Minister's personal adviser, Mr Jiro Shibusawa, to Washington to expedite the settlement of a peace treaty, the agency said.

The industrial mission will be composed principally of top-level businessmen capable of concluding arrangements for American-Japanese economic co-operation prior to the signing of a peace treaty.

The mission will represent such industries as iron and steel, machinery, chemicals, and other key industries.

FLY HIGH above the weather in a D.C.6

The four giant engines of the D.C.6 "Cloudmaster" mean power to take you to the calmest altitudes. Air-conditioning and radiant heating in your extra-pressurized cabin provide the right atmosphere all the time.

S. A. S. offers the famous D.C.6 service to Israel, Italy, Switzerland, Germany, Scandinavia, and North and South America, (close connections to all larger cities all over the world).

SCANDINAVIAN AIRLINES SYSTEM

Drysdale Pumps
ENGINEERING EQUIPMENT CO., LTD.
H.K. & SHANGHAI BANK BLDG. TEL. 27769.

For Hospitality
Serve Coca-Cola
Coca-Cola

Take Poison In A Grave
Tokyo, Mar. 4.
A couple committed suicide by taking poison in a grave which they had dug themselves in a vegetable patch in Odawara City on Saturday.
The man, about 30, and the girl, about 23, were found in a death embrace, their bodies inside the grave and their heads protruding above the ground. — Reuter.

Mail Notices
Unless otherwise stated, registered articles (by air or parcel) close on hour earlier than the ordinary mails where mails close on Sundays or before 10 a.m. on any other day, registered and parcel posts close at 5 p.m. on the previous day. Mails are closed at noon Central Post Office one hour earlier than the G.P.O. closing times.

MONDAY, MARCH 5
Closing Times By Air
Malaya, Indonesia, Ceylon, Australia, New Zealand, India, Pakistan, Persian Gulf Ports, Egypt, East & South Africa, Mauritius, Great Britain, Italy, N. W. Europe & France, 5 p.m.
Closing Times By Sea
Siam, 5 p.m.
Indo-China, 3 p.m.
TUESDAY, MARCH 6
Closing Times By Air
Formosa, 10 a.m.
Philippines, Hawaii & U.S.A. (letters second class mail and parcel) 10 a.m.
Gunn (letters and second class mail) Canada, (letters only), 5 p.m.
Siam, 5 p.m.
Japan & Korea, 5 p.m.
Formosa, 5 p.m.
Closing Times By Sea
India & Pakistan, 10 a.m.
Malaya, Burma & India, 5 p.m.
WEDNESDAY, MARCH 7
Closing Times By Air
Malaya, Indonesia, Australia and New Zealand, 10 a.m.
Formosa, 10 a.m.
Okinawa, 2 p.m.
Siam, 5 p.m.
Burma, India, Pakistan, Iraq, Iran, Egypt, East & South Africa, Mauritius, Great Britain, Italy, N. W. Europe & France, 5 p.m.
Canada & U.S.A., 5 p.m.
Formosa, 5 p.m.
Closing Times By Sea
Indo-China, 9 a.m.
Mauritius, East & South Africa, 2 p.m.
Japan, Ceylon, Madagascar, Arabia, Egypt & France, 2 p.m.
THURSDAY, MARCH 8
Closing Times By Air
India, Pakistan, Ceylon, Gulf Ports, Egypt, East & South Africa, Mauritius, Great Britain, Italy, N. W. Europe & France, 5 p.m.
Siam, Malaya & Indonesia, 5 p.m.

Radio Hongkong
H.K.T.
6:00 p.m. — "Programme Summary" — 6:02.
Children's Half Hour — Presented by "Elizabeth Anne" (Studio) — 6:10.
Portuguese Half Hour (Studio) — 6:15.
World News and News Analysis (London Relay) — 6:20.
A.C. Clarke, Director of Commerce and Industry — 7:30.
London Studio Melodies — 7:30.
Farnon and His Orchestra (BBC) — 7:35.
"From the Editor's" (London Relay Recorded) — 8:10.
Wynford Vaughan-Thomas is Glad to Meet You in New York (BBC) — 8:20.
"Like What" — Presented by Brenda Gomersall (Studio) — 8:25.
Musical Melodies — 8:30.
Concerto in D Major, K. 218, by Yehudi Menuhin (Violin) and the Liverpool Philharmonic Orchestra — 8:35.
Sir Malcolm Sargent, 10:10.
News Reel (London Relay) — 10:15.
Weather Report — 10:15.
Francis and the Five — 10:20.
A Programme of Recordings made in the Aran Islands. Introduced by Robert Flaherty (BBC) — 11:10.
Dance to Geraldine and His Orchestra — 11:15.
"Goodnight Music" — 11:20.
Weather Report: God Save the King — 11:30.
Close Down.

INTELLIGENCE TEST SOLUTION
What Ferdie had said was "complementary." This word gives the clue to his alibi. Write down the letters A B O, etc., and under each of the corresponding letters in the alphabet in reverse:
A Z O D V X Y B
and we have one of the simplest of training exercises.
The message runs: "Ask old Hare if he plays Rummy." — London Express Service.

CHECK YOUR KNOWLEDGE ANSWERS
1. Nicholas II. 2. They are masses of ice floating in the sea and are produced by the breaking off of great masses from glaciers. 3. The centre from glaciers. 4. Igorols, and highest. 5. The period between exposure and the appearance of the actual disease. 6. Iran.

DEATHS
FUNG — Dr. Arthur Tung, M. B. Ch. B., of Edinburgh University, Scotland, died at his home at the International Funeral Parlour, 41-43 Lockhart Road, Hongkong, on Saturday. Last rites service will be held at the All Saints Church, 140-142 Street, on the 6th instant. Funeral will take place afterwards followed by burial at the Hongkong Christian Cemetery, Garden Road, Kowloon City.

Diplomat Takes Freedom Road

New Delhi, Mar. 4.
Czechoslovakia's second ambassador to India since the Communists came to power in the former country in 1949 has disappeared, it was learned today.
Dr. Bohuslav Kratochvil, Czech Ambassador to Britain from January, 1947, until August, 1949, walked out of his Embassy here on Thursday morning and has not returned.
An Embassy spokesman condemned his action as a "betrayal of his country," and added that it was to be regarded as resignation.
The spokesman said that Dr. Kratochvil, a Social Democrat, had been recalled to Prague for "consultations."

His predecessor in office, Dr. Jaroslav Sejnoch, was recalled to Prague when the Communists came to power but he refused to obey the summons, remained in India for a few months after a Charge d'Affaires had taken over the Embassy and was later reported to have reached Canada.
Dr. Kratochvil left the Embassy with his wife and two-year-old son without the knowledge of his staff, the spokesman said. He was not believed to have left India.

The Embassy spokesman here was asked if the Ambassador's action was in any way related to the recent arrest in Czechoslovakia of the former Foreign Minister, Dr. Vladimir Clementis.
"I cannot say that," he replied.
He described Dr. Kratochvil's action as "counter revolutionary," but declined to comment on a suggestion that the Ambassador had recently had differences with his Government.

Dr. Kratochvil, 50, came to India in November, 1949, and was one of the most popular diplomats in Delhi. A leader of the underground resistance to the Germans he spent six years in concentration camps.
He is an authority on education and had been intended for an academic career. He was Chairman of the Cultural Commission of the Social Democratic Party and head of a department in the Ministry of Education before going to India. — Reuter.

Escaped Convict Recaptured

Sentence of 12 months was passed on prisoner Chan Sik-yu, 17, by Mr. Latimer at Central this morning when he pleaded guilty to a charge of escaping from legal custody.
This sentence is to be served in addition to the six months passed on him when he was convicted on a charge of larceny in February.
Inspector W. Gillies, prosecuting, said that at about 7.45 a.m. on March 3 defendant was seen to escape from the Training Centre Godown, where the young prisoners were confined, by a warden who raised the alarm. Principal officer J.E. Burns of the Prison Department headed a party for the search. About an hour later, defendant was re-arrested among the underbrush.

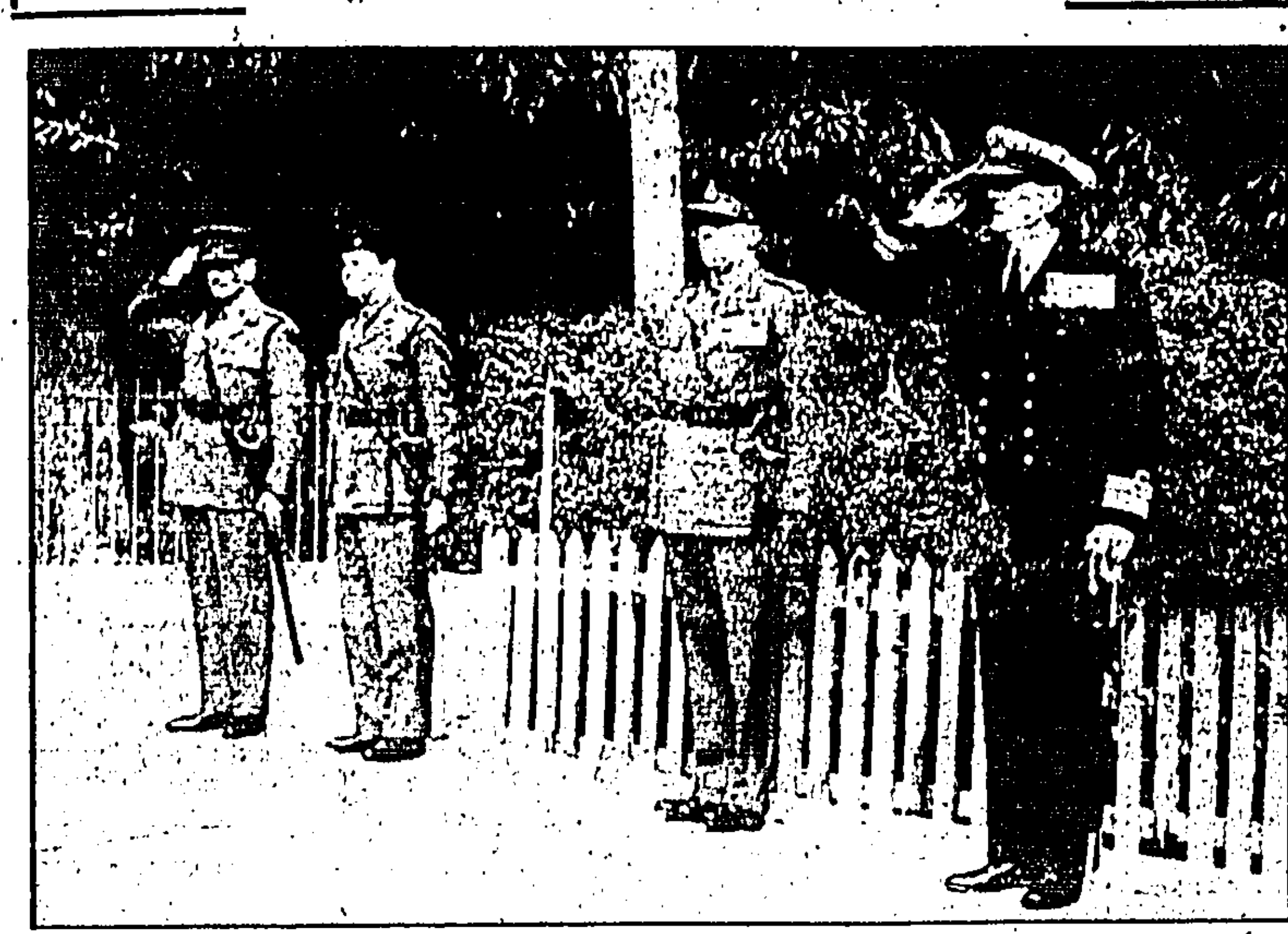
Gate-Crasher Fined

For causing public mischief by attempting to gain entry into Ischmas Military Camp in Clear Water Road on Saturday, Li Wing-kong, 38, unemployed, was fined \$20 by Mr. Winter, at Kowloon this morning. Inspector W. Jones stated that defendant, without a pass, attempted to get into the Camp three times.

\$10 For Jaywalking

On a charge of jaywalking, Leung Chan-wah, 24, was fined \$10 by Mr. Winter at Kowloon this morning. Defendant was caught while walking aimlessly across Yee Kung Street, near Castle Peak Road, in front of a Police van.

Vice-Admiral Russell Takes The Salute



Des Voeux Road Central Shooting Man Stands Trial At Criminal Sessions

The story of the dramatic robbery and shooting outside the Gloucester Arcade in broad daylight on January 13 last, the flight and pursuit of the alleged assailant and his final arrest in Stanley Street by Mr. Leo Landau, manager of Jimmy's Kitchen, was told in great detail by Crown Counsel when Siu Ming, alias Tsung Pei-ka, alias Chung Pui-cheung, alias Tseng Pei-chang, 26, unemployed, a former member of the Hongkong Police Force, appeared on his trial before the Acting Chief Justice, Mr. Justice Gould, in the Criminal Sessions this morning.

Accused is alleged to have used a .32 Walther automatic pistol, without lawful authority, against Li Chi on January 13, 1951.
Accused is the first person to be indicted under Regulation 116-A(2) of the Emergency (Principal) Regulations, 1949, which states that any person who without lawful authority used or attempted to use arms, ammunition or explosives against any person or property notwithstanding that death or injury to a person or property was not caused by such use shall be guilty of an offence against these Regulations. The regulations which were passed by the Legislative Council last year carried a capital punishment if convicted.

The Crown alleges that accused shot at Li Chi, an accountant employed by a Chinese engineering firm, and robbed him of \$15,000 contained in a newspaper parcel.
Appearing for the Prosecution is Mr. H. Heenan, Crown Counsel, assisted by Mr. C. Mottram, Director of Criminal Investigation, and Det. Insp. F. Roberts.
Accused is defended by Mr. S. V. Gillies, instructed by Mr. A. K. W. Lui of Messrs Lo and Lo.
The Jury empanelled comprises four men and three women.
ADDRESS LASTS 1 1/2 HRS
In his address to the Jury which occupied an hour and 15 minutes, Mr. Heenan said that the victim, who was 48 years of age, was employed as an accountant by the Li Tung Wo engineering firm in Portland Street. Li was in charge of the firm's money and it was his duty to cash a cheque at the Hongkong Bank each Saturday morning as payroll for the staff.
On January 13 he presented a cheque for \$20,000 and received the money in denominations of \$10, \$5 and other smaller denominations. He placed \$5,000 in a brief case, together with a \$500 banknote and \$10 which were his own personal property, and the other \$15,000 he wrapped in a newspaper.
Li left the Bank and was proceeding outside Lane Crawford's when he observed that a man, whom the Crown alleged was accused, was following him. Accused who was wearing an overcoat-walked past him but at a point some 10 to 15 yards short of the corner of Des Voeux Road Central and Pedder Street, or somewhere outside the CNAC offices, he stopped. As Li came abreast of accused, the latter snatched at the paper package which Li carried under his arm. Li shouted in Chinese "snatching" and a struggle for the package then ensued.
The Prosecutor said that in the course of the struggle, which was of short duration, a number of shots were fired. Li did not realise the fact, he was wounded until he saw his left thumb bleeding. He then collapsed.

Mr. Heenan said that accused was seen at the scene, Inspector Landau, the victim identified accused as the man who had attempted to snatch the paper parcel.
Mr. Heenan said that accused made a cautious statement in which he said he did not open fire. He saw a paper parcel and picked it up, walked up Theatre Lane where he was arrested. Regarding the weapon he said he was employed by someone to carry it.
The Prosecutor said that accused served in the Hongkong Police Force for two years from March, 1947 to August, 1949. The trial is proceeding.

BULLETS EXTRACTED
Later, the main Police party arrived at the scene. Inspector Landau found a watch with a broken strap and Inspector Roberts found five cartridge cases and a pencil near the spot where the victim had collapsed.
Li was removed to Queen Mary Hospital where two bullets were extracted from his right shoulder and the base of the neck.
Mr. Heenan said that the cartridge cases found by Inspector Roberts fitted the gun picked up by Inspector O'Connor, and the two bullets extracted from the victim were found to have been fired from that same gun.
At an identification held two days later at Queen Mary Hospital, the victim identified accused as the man who had attempted to snatch the paper parcel.
Mr. Heenan said that accused made a cautious statement in which he said he did not open fire. He saw a paper parcel and picked it up, walked up Theatre Lane where he was arrested. Regarding the weapon he said he was employed by someone to carry it.
The Prosecutor said that accused served in the Hongkong Police Force for two years from March, 1947 to August, 1949. The trial is proceeding.

EX-WITNESSES
Mr. Heenan said witnesses would be called who saw the struggle. One of them, Tam

7 Dead In Bus Accident

Bogota, Mar. 4.
Seven were killed and 20 injured in a collision last night between a bus crowded with passengers and a lorry. Another died in hospital here today, bringing the death toll to eight.
The bus and the lorry, which was laden with sugar, came into collision at high speed outside Fontibon, near Bogota. Both vehicles were completely wrecked. — Reuter.

Mollet Runs Into Obstacles

Paris, Mar. 4.
The Socialist leader, M. Guy Mollet, the third man of France's 13th post-war Cabinet crisis, appeared tonight not to have much more chance of forming the next government than the Popular Republican ex-Premier, M. Georges Bidault, who reported failure on Thursday, or the Radical ex-Premier, M. Henri Queuille who threw his hand in on Friday.
In his consultations with Party leaders, M. Mollet has been taking a somewhat different line to that followed by M. Bidault and M. Queuille.
He has been discussing a social and financial programme and has left in the background the thorny question of electoral reform which led to the collapse of the Plevin Cabinet last Wednesday.
M. Mollet wanted an agreed programme to raise salaries, subsidising coal, fertilisers and new grain, and new tax on luxury goods, including scents, spirits, furs and cars to pay for these subsidies. He also proposed a tax on the sales and purchases of gold in the Paris free market.
This programme has already renewed the hostility of the Radicals.
M. Mollet said tonight that he intended giving President Auriol his reply tomorrow at noon. — Reuter.

In a radio address today, M. Mollet said he hoped to be able to report to President Auriol that an agreement had been reached. He would recommend that the electoral issue be tossed back to the Assembly and that in the meantime a government be formed to deal with the urgent problems of inflation and foreign policy — free from the political impasse of electoral law. — United Press.

Ticket Scalper Fined \$200

With one previous conviction for similar offence, Lee Chee, 35, unemployed, was fined \$200 by Mr. Latimer at Central this morning for "Ticket-scalping."
According to the prosecution, defendant was seen at about 7 p.m. on March 3 at the entrance hall of Queen's Theatre approaching people with seven gallery tickets. He was later arrested by a detective who he attempted to make a profit of 20 cents from every ticket.

Ferry Offences

Bail of \$25 each put up by two Northerners, Cheung Ling-shing, 21, and Hsu Hing-cheung, 34, was ordered to be executed by Mr. Winter at Kowloon this morning when they failed to answer charges of jumping off a Star ferry before it was properly berthed and for evading payment of a ferry fare.
A number of people came to the victim's assistance. Among them were Mr. Shields a dental surgeon, Dr. Douglas Laing and Mr. Ts'ao, Adjutant of the Hongkong Police Reserve. They noticed that a brief case was lying near the victim.

AT Bomb The Key To Peace

Washington, Mar. 4.
Dr. Vannerson Bush, World War II science mobiliser, said today that the United States could destroy Russia with atom bombs if war broke out soon. For that reason the Soviet leaders were afraid to start World War III.
He warned, however, that the deterrent effect of the atom bomb would not avert a war forever and said the United States and the free world must build even stronger defences. The way to do this, he added, is to mass an Allied army in Europe capable of holding a defensive line and stopping the Russian hordes if they should ever start and so dissuading them from ever starting.
Dr. Bush's speech was the first in a series of talks sponsored by the "Committee on the Present Danger," a group of prominent Americans supporting a strong defence policy.
Dr. Bush said the key to the peace was the atom bomb.
"If Russia sent its armies across the German plains tomorrow we, with our A-bombs and planes to carry them, would destroy Russia. We would do it without question as matters stand today. We could destroy not only key centres from which her armies would be supplied but also political centres and the communications of armies on the march." — United Press.

Disorderly Conduct

Leung Ping-tong, 27, shopfok, and Chiu Man-yui, 50, unemployed, were each fined \$25 or one week by Mr. Latimer at Central this morning for disorderly conduct.
Insp. Gillies, prosecuting, said that at about 1 p.m. on March 3, the first defendant rang up "999" and reported that someone attempted to murder him at No. 27, Queen's Road West, first floor. As a result, a large party of Police turned out to the scene but later discovered that it was only a domestic dispute between the first and second defendant, who was his brother-in-law. Earlier that day, first defendant went to see the second defendant at the above address because he wanted to sell part of his furniture. Second defendant offered to buy it at a price given by others. First defendant refused and a dispute ensued.

Kowloon Doctor Dies Of Wounds

After a week's critical struggle, Dr. Arthur Fung Hing-yau who was shot and severely wounded by gunmen last Monday, died at the Queen Mary Hospital at 5 a.m. today.
The late Dr. Fung offered resistance to two armed robbers who entered his house at 28 Castle Peak Road when he believed that the attention of one of the intruders was distracted.

An Address

Major General Staveley, C.B., Lieut.-Governor and Commander of the Forces, Hongkong. Sir, — On the eve of your departure from this Colony, we cannot refrain from assuring you of our sincere regret at your leaving us and at the same time expressing our sense of the great kindness and affability, which has marked your demeanour in all instances. We can further truly say that the warmest wishes of the Community will accompany you to the seat of your new command and that you may enjoy health and happiness in a service of more extended usefulness, and responsibility, than the one you are now just leaving. Had hostility measures been necessary in this quarter, we need hardly assure you with what confidence we should have seen the honour of our country entrusted to your long tried and eminent military talents.
Wishing you a speedy and pleasant passage with every expression of our higher respect and esteem. We have the honour to remain, Sir, Your most obedient and humble Servants.
Hongkong, February 25, 1951.
To the address presented to Major Gen. Staveley on his departure, the Major General returned the following reply: —
Hongkong, February 27, 1951.
Gentlemen, — I have had the honour of receiving your kind address on the occasion of my departure from China. I am extremely grateful for this flattering proof of your favourable opinion, and it is with much regret I leave those from whom I have received such marked attention.
Accept, in general, my sincere wishes for the health and prosperity of you all, and believe me with great regard — Your most faithful and obliged servant.
W. Staveley.
To the Hon. David Jardine and the Hon. William Ho, who have been Major Gen. Staveley's staff, with an address.

From The Files 100 Years Ago

We have been favoured with particulars of another outrage on the person of the "barbarian" fortunately, in this instance, without a tragic result.
Two American gentlemen, Messrs Cunningham and Manigault, on the morning of the 3rd instant, started with a Chinese guide, on an excursion to the White Cloud Mountain, distant some half a dozen miles from Canton. They were returning in their chairs, and when, about half way home, in a lonely place, were set upon by about dozen miscreants who, after beating and severely wounding, robbed them of their watches, valuables and outer garments. Resistance was perfectly futile, nor had they anything, excepting umbrellas, with which to defend themselves.
They succeeded in reaching the factories about 4 p.m. and were immediately attended by Dr. Parker. Mr. Cunningham had a small cut on his forehead, one on his right arm and another, a serious one, on the side of his right hand, severing the bone and the ligaments of his little finger.
Mr. Manigault has received a cut on the right side of his head, some three inches long, going very close on to the skull, but fortunately there is no fracture; another wound on the left side of the head, and a deep cut on the right shoulder, nearly three inches long, besides several other contusions. At latest reports both gentlemen were doing well, and if fever and inflammation do not supervene, will probably be about in a few days. Mr. Cunningham, however, it is feared, will altogether lose the use of his finger.

Racing Contests

An interesting match came off yesterday afternoon between H. E. Sir S. G. Bonham's "Templation" and the Honourable Mr. Jardine's "Moss Trooper." "Templation" did not appear to be in his usual form, "Moss Trooper" was beautiful as ever. The latter gained the choice for places and took, and kept, the lead throughout, coming in a winner by a couple of lengths, at the least. The time taken over the round and a distance was two minutes and ten seconds.
There also followed another pretty little race between "The Alderman" and "The Laird" won by the former by a bare neck only.
The warmth and beauty of the afternoon (72° in the shade) were sufficient to induce several of the fair ladies of Hongkong to favour the course with their presence.

SIDE GLANCES By Galbraith



It's easy to explain that "O" in Spanish. Dad — that's the same teacher who marked me low last year in German.